



Year 1

Miss Westby

Spring Term 2025



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the start of a new year! We hope you've had a fantastic break with your families and that 2025 will be an amazing year of learning.

If you have any questions, then please remember I am always here to help; either speak to me at the end of the day, contact me via Class Dojo or email the school office:

office@harwood-meadows.bolton.sch.uk

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HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD

- Read with your child at home. If possible, at least 3 times a week. Please remember to sign your child's reading record.
- Practise spellings, number bonds, multiplication tables and number facts.
- Encourage your child to develop their independence, remembering their water bottles, packed lunches and coats, as well as fastening coats and laces.
- Remind your child to hand in any letters or reply slips to their teacher.
- Check your child's reading packet each day.
- Practise learning on Spelling Shed and Purple Mash, using the log-ins sent home.
- Check Class Dojo for any messages and updates of learning.

We are...

Aspirational Resilient Kind

THINGS TO REMEMBER

TUESDAY is our P.E. day. Please come to school dressed in your PE kit. Earrings must be taken out at home, please. Also, please can children bring in either pumps or trampolining socks, to leave in school. We will use these when we are in the hall for PE. Some weeks we will have an additional PE lesson on a **Thursday**, I will let you know when this is via Class Dojo.

UNIFORM: Please make sure that your child's uniform is clearly labelled; we have so many children that items of uniform and P.E. kit are easily lost. Children with long hair must have it tied back in a hair bobble. Children should wear the school P.E. kit (navy shorts and red t-shirt).

WATER BOTTLES: Please make sure that children bring a clearly labelled water bottle into school each day.

HOMEWORK: This will be sent home each Friday and is due back each Wednesday.

SNACK: All children in KS1 are offered healthy fruit each day, these vary from raisins, pears, apples etc. You can also send your child to school with a healthy snack in addition to this. No nuts, please.

READING BOOKS: Reading books will be changed every **MONDAY**. Please bring your child's reading book to school every day.

SPELLINGS: All children will receive spellings on a **MONDAY**. They will be tested on these spellings at the end of the week, on **FRIDAY**. The spellings will be related

READING BOOKS

Your child will bring home a Read, Write, Inc. book bag book which is linked to the level they are working at. The books are closely linked with the book read in school and offer additional practise reading the graphemes taught that week. Please read with your child every day and sign their diary. Reading books will be changed once a week, on a Monday, and new books will be allocated. Children will read at different times during the week. Please ensure your child brings their reading book and diary to school every day. Your child will also bring home a book from the 100 books challenge to enjoy together.

to the book that they are reading that week. Please practise writing these at home.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- **Friday 14th February** – School Finishes at 3:30pm for 1 week Half Term
- **Monday 24th February** – Back to School
- **Thursday 6th March** – World Book Day
- **Tuesday 11th/ Wednesday 12th March** – Parent Conference
- **Thursday 20th March** – Year 1 Class Assembly
- **Thursday 27th March** – Year 1 Trip to Blackpool Zoo
- **Thursday 3rd April** – Deadline for Egg Creation Entries
- **Friday 4th April** – School Finishes at 3:30pm for Easter Holidays
- **Tuesday 22nd April** – Back to School

SUBJECT OVERVIEWS

MATHS: Place value (to 20); Addition and Subtraction (within 20); Place value (within 50) – including multiples of 2, 5 and 10; Length and Height; Mass and Volume.

ENGLISH: Traditional Tales; Letter Writing; Recount

SCIENCE: Animals including Humans; Plants

GEOGRAPHY United Kingdom: 4 Countries and Capital Cities.

HISTORY: Houses and Homes

COMPUTING: Computer Science - Algorithm

PE: Dance; developing sending and receiving skills including throwing and catching, rolling, kicking, tracking and stopping a ball.

RHE: Dreams and Goals; Healthy Me.

RE: Key questions – Who is Jewish and how do they live? Why does Easter matter to Christians?

MUSIC: In the Groove – Listening to different musical styles

ART: Drawing using pencils.

SCHOOL RULES

Ready...Respectful...Safe

CLASS DOJOS



Children will earn dojos in class all year towards their bronze, silver and gold badges.

50 dojos = Bronze **100 dojos = Silver** **150 dojos = Gold** **200 = Platinum**

If you haven't signed up already, you will receive a parent sign up code so you can follow your child's progress.