

WELCOME TO A NEW YEAR AT BRUNEL

Welcome to Year 1/2

We hope that you will find this guide useful but do not hesitate to ask if you require further information. We are here to help the children thrive, have fun and enjoy their learning.

Year 1/2 Curriculum

At Brunel we follow the Primary National Curriculum for English and Maths. We have an enquiry based curriculum. This means we base all our learning and themed topic work around a big key question according to the children's interests.

We will let you know our big question for the Autumn term in September.

Reading

Your child will read regularly in school but we do expect every child to **read for at least 20 minutes everyday at home** and for their reading record to be signed by an adult stating how well your child has read. You could also include any words they found tricky and need more practise with. These books will be checked and certificates will be given when your child reaches the next milestone on our 'Book Trail'.

We are continuing to follow the Read Write Inc programme for teaching phonics and reading. This means your child will read the same book for three days before it is changed. The first read is to become familiar with the text, the second read is to build fluency and the third read is to build comprehension skills and talk about the text.

Please ensure your child brings their book bag and reading log every day.

Times Tables

Please help your child to learn their times tables. All children by the end of Key Stage 1 should know their 2s, 5s and 10s and for an extra challenge their 3s. Remember you can use your Times Tables Rockstars login to practise.

Spellings and 99 Club

Your child will be set spellings which all contain the same sound based upon their Read Write Inc group: set 1, set 2 or set 3. They will bring home a spelling book with these in which will contain further instructions. Please bring your spelling book in on a **Friday** when you will be tested.

99 Club will take place on Fridays. Remember you need to get all the answers correct *three weeks in a row* to move up to the next level. Every little bit of practise helps!

Snacks

Your child will be provided with a free fruit snack to eat during the morning break.

Start of the school day

KS1 children should wait on the KS1 playground with their parent/ carer ready for the start of the school day. Please arrive promptly, on time for 8.45am. Your child's class teacher will come to the KS1 playground to collect the children and take them into school.

The register is taken at 8:55 a.m.- any pupil arriving after this is late and should collect a late slip from Reception to allow us to keep the register up to date.

End of the school day

The school day ends at 3.15pm. Please wait on the KS1 playground for your child to be sent to you to go home. Let us know in advance, either by telling the class teacher or school office, if you have arranged for your child to be collected by somebody different.

On Fridays we currently finish at 12.45pm due to deep cleaning that needs to take place due to Covid 19. Pick up arrangements are the same as the rest of the week.

Please note that timings and drop off and pick up arrangements may be subject to change due to Covid 19.

School Uniform

School uniform is a requirement and consists of the following:

White shirt/white polo shirt
School sweatshirt/fleece/cardigan
Grey skirt/trousers
(Blue and white checked dress during summer term- optional)
Black Sensible shoes (no heels or trainers please).

P.E. kit -to be in school at all times

House coloured t-shirt.
Black shorts.
Trainers or plimsolls.
Tracksuits are suitable in winter.

Please ensure that all of your child's clothes and belongings are clearly named.

Contacting us

At Brunel Primary we value the relationships we have with parents and will make every effort to keep in contact with you either via email or telephone.

If you have any concerns or feel that you would like a bit more information on anything your child is doing at school then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thanks for your support!
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Daily checklist:

- Named coat- weather permitting
- Named water bottle
- Named book bag- containing reading book and reading log
- Named sun hat- weather permitting
- Named sun cream that your child can apply themselves

Please leave your toys safe at home.

We look forward to your return in September.
Mrs Watson and Miss Wood ☺

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Parents and Pupils
2020/2021**