

YEAR 1 NEWSLETTER

Happy Birthday

Happy birthday to everyone with a birthday that falls during our 1st term

Birthday Party Invites:

We are sure you understand that birthdays are very exciting for children at this age. If you wish to distribute invitations in school, please ensure there is an invite for all children in the class. If only part of the class is invite, we ask that you distribute the invites outside school or between parents. Although we do not host parties at school, I am happy to share out cupcakes at the end of the school day to celebrate your child's birthday. Please let me know in advance.

Thank You

Punctuality

Your child should be in school at 8.15am and picked up at 3pm.

Welcome to Hummingbird Class

Welcome to the 2017/18 school year at Provo Primary School. I am excited to work with such a lovely Year 1 class, it has been fun getting to know you all over the past few weeks. After a tricky start to the school year, I was so happy to see your lovely smiling faces. I do hope that you are all getting yourselves and your houses back to normal. If you are in need of any assistance with this, please do not hesitate to ask.

A very warm welcome to K'Leon who is new to our school and goodbye to Rodrigo who has left to go on new adventures in the D.R.

I have lived and worked as a primary school teacher on Provo for over 15 years. I look forward to a great year working together to enable your child to reach his/her full potential.

This year, your children will also be working with :-

Mrs. Yorka for Spanish Immersion sessions;

Mrs. Yorka, Mrs. B and Miss Kiki for extra support;

Mr. Toby, Ms. Emma and myself for P.E.

What's Happening from the Hummingbird News Desk!

Curriculum and Topic Information: In the Hummingbird class, all topics are designed to encourage creativity, curiosity and a love of learning. By focusing learning on one topic area, children are able to apply newly acquired skills in a meaningful way across the curriculum. Our first topic this year is Journeys. In this topic, we will be learning all about how to travel to and from Provo, which countries we have visited, which countries we would like to visit, all about the weather in those countries and what we should pack in our suitcase if we are lucky we visit those countries. We will also be sending Flat Stanley off on his travels. A Topic Map is also being emailed to you to give you more details and to help you to support your child at home. You can also find more details of our curriculum this year, and timetable information, in the Parent Information Booklet that I will send out soon.



General Reminders

Uniform

Please help Year 1 be the smartest class in school by making sure your child is wearing the proper school uniform, including appropriate footwear.

P.E.

Our P.E. days are

Monday and Wednesday

Your child should come to school in his/her P.E. kit and bring his/her uniform in a bag on these days.

Other reminders

Apply sunscreen before coming to school.

Bring a hat to school every day.

Bring enough water for the whole day.

Please label all your children's items.

Please do not bring toys from home.

Homework: In Year 1, **reading** is so important and so much fun that we will continue to send home books for you to share with your child. These have been sent home after an initial assessment of your child's reading. Reading books will be changed on **Monday, Wednesday and Friday.**

Look out for the information regarding the Year 1 **Reading Meeting** that will take place on **Tuesday 17th. October at 2:20pm.** I look forward to seeing you there.

Year 1 homework may also consist of Literacy activities such as learning spellings, Numeracy activities and /or topic activities or games. No more than 20 minutes should be spent on any of these activities, although they can be repeated if your child is motivated to do so.

Parent Volunteers: We really appreciate any support that you are able to offer the Year 1 class throughout the year. Whether helping with special events, educational visits or on a regular basis in class, your input is of great benefit to the children. I really look forward to working with you and your children this year.

I hope you find this information helpful. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to come in and speak to me. I am available to meet with you after school or at other times by appointment.

Let the adventure begin!

Mrs. Amanda

