

Welcome to Year 1



Meet Our Team

IW – Mrs Willetts



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IS - Mrs Skelding



IW support staff

Mrs Webb



Mrs Powar



IS support staff

Miss Ali



Mrs Hopson



A day in the life of Year 1

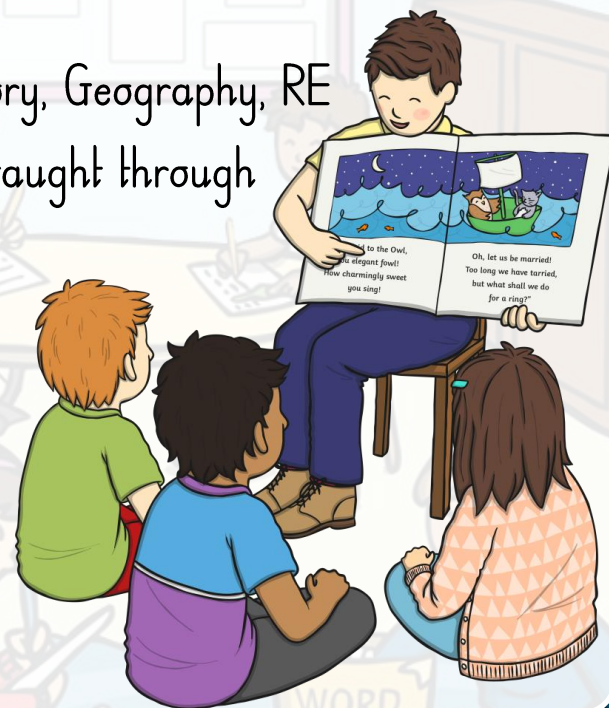
In the Autumn term we start our mornings with registration and morning work, followed by phonics.

Then we have daily guided reading and handwriting sessions followed by focussed English and Maths sessions with continuous provision.

In the afternoon we have curriculum lessons including History, Geography, RE PSHE, Art, DT, PE, Science, Computing and Music which is taught through a continuous provision timetable.

We have PE twice weekly (Tuesday & Thursday). Children come to school dressed in their P.E kits.

(A weekly timetable is updated and shared on the website)





On Your Child's First Day...



Morning entrance

Year 1 come into the school via the KSI entrances at 8:45 (doors are opened earlier if it is raining). There is a member of staff on the playground to take messages if you need to let class teachers know anything.



If you arrive after the doors have closed, please take your child to the main reception, where they will be signed in.

Our Classrooms... IW



IS



This is where we hang our bags and coats...



This is where we keep our lunch boxes



Breaktimes



- The children have a break at 10:30am daily.
- Children in key stage 1 are offered a range of free fruit at break time. Please don't send snacks into school for break times!
- If you wish, milk can be paid for online if/when your child is over 5.
- A clearly named water bottle is required with water or squash inside. These are returned home to be cleaned daily.

School Meals



- At lunchtime, your child can have a packed lunch prepared at home and brought into school, or a school dinner.
- Parents can choose their child's lunch via the Sodexo school dinner ordering app in advance.
- Lunchtime is between 12:10pm and 1:10pm, when the children can eat lunch and then play with their friends.
- All Key Stage 1 children are entitled to a free school meal, each day. There will be a selection of different meals available each day for your child to choose from.

School Meals

Packed lunches:

If you provide your child with a packed lunch, they should support our school's healthy eating policy.

Also note that **nuts, fizzy drinks, sweets and chocolate** are not allowed in school lunches.



End of the day

School finishes at 3:15pm and the children will be handed over to grown-ups at the door.

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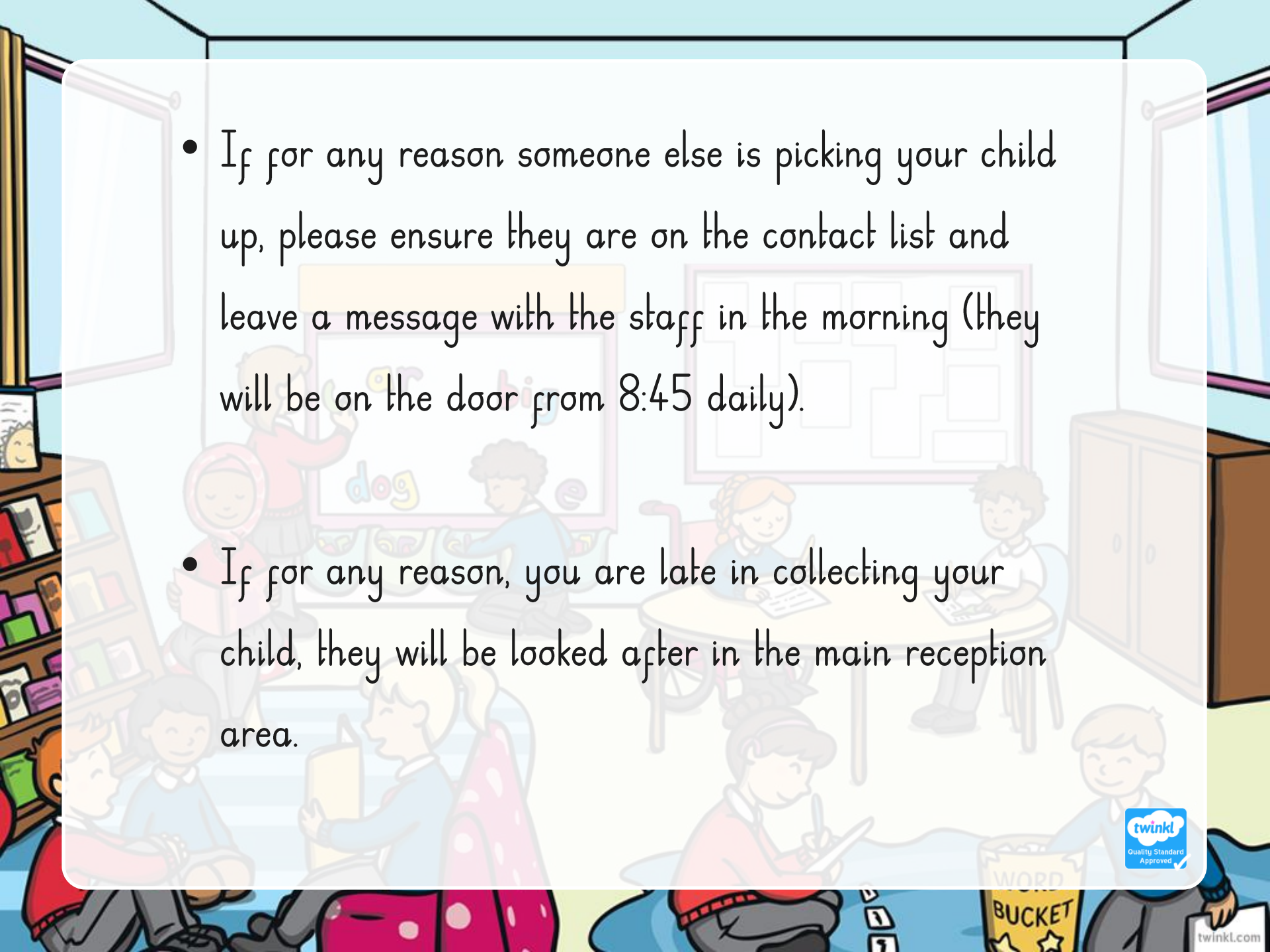


IW are collected where they enter school in each morning.

IS



IS are collected via the entrance by Mrs Bhardwaj's office.

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- If for any reason someone else is picking your child up, please ensure they are on the contact list and leave a message with the staff in the morning (they will be on the door from 8:45 daily).
 - If for any reason, you are late in collecting your child, they will be looked after in the main reception area.

School Uniform

Please label all uniform with your child's name!

Girls

Red/white polo shirt

Red jumper/cardigan (doesn't have to have logo)

Grey/black skirt or trousers

Red and white check summer dress

Black shoes

Boys

Red/white polo shirt

Red jumper/cardigan (doesn't have to have logo)

Grey/black trousers/shorts

Black shoes



P.E Uniform

Please label all PE kit with your child's name!

Your child will need:

PE kit

- White t-shirt
- Black/grey hoodie/zip up top (no brand names please)
- Black shorts/Black/grey jogging bottoms
- Black pumps **(NO LACES)!**
- Please avoid earrings on PE days where possible, if this is not possible your child will have a piece of tape placed over their earring to avoid accidents.
- Please remember to name all items of uniform so that any lost items of clothing can be returned to their rightful owner.



Health

- Staff need to be aware of your child's medical background, in particular, any allergies (e.g. bee stings, dairy food), any dietary restrictions and any medical conditions that are important for us to know (e.g. asthma or eczema).
- Children can suddenly become ill and therefore it is important that we know we can contact you or another adult/relative at all times. Please ensure that the school is kept up to date with your contact details. If your child is unable to attend school due to illness, please telephone the school office to let us know.



Attendance

Attendance is a top priority for Springfield. Missing school has such a huge impact on their education, here are some statistics...

Attendance during one school year	Equals this number of days absent	Which is approximately this many weeks absent	Which means this number of lessons missed
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks	290 lessons

As you can imagine missing that many lessons will really affect their learning, plus they'll miss out on chances to see their friends and have fun.

We understand that there are times when your child is poorly and need time to rest, their health is a top priority. But if they're not poorly, please bring them to school.

Attendance — rewards!

On a Friday during assembly, we celebrate good attendance that week by 'spinning the wheel'. There are many great prizes on offer such as, 15 minutes extra play, 15 minutes of class disco and non-uniform days that the children all love to win.

To reward great attendance every term children who have had good attendance will receive a certificate in assembly to celebrate their brilliant achievement.

Every child's attendance matters, and being on time matters too...

What sort of start is your child getting?

Just a little bit late doesn't seem much but.....

He/She is only missing just....	That equals....	Which is.....	and over 13 years of schooling that's...
10 minutes per day	50 minutes per week	Nearly 1.5 weeks per year	Nearly <u>Half a year</u>
20 minutes per day	1 hour 40 mins per week	Over 2.5 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 year</u>
Half an hour per day	Half a day per week	4 Weeks per year	Nearly <u>1 and a Half years</u>
1 hour per day	1 day per week	8 Weeks per year	Over <u>2 and a Half years</u>

We understand there are times when you have appointments or there's traffic. But if your child is regularly late, it will have a massive impact on them.

Did you know your child's best learning time is the start of the school day?

That's when every minute counts the most!!

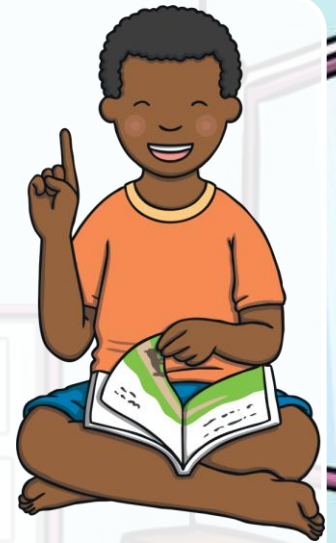
EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Phonics is crucial in Year 1 and we start at 9:10 every day, if your child is late every day for 1 week, they'll miss 5 phonics lessons, which is 5 sounds that they won't know. So, when it comes to reading, they'll struggle because they won't know the sounds. As mentioned, in Year 1 they do the Phonics Screening and if they don't pass this year they'll have to do it again next year. The children need to learn 124 sounds in Year 1 and every single one is important.

Reading

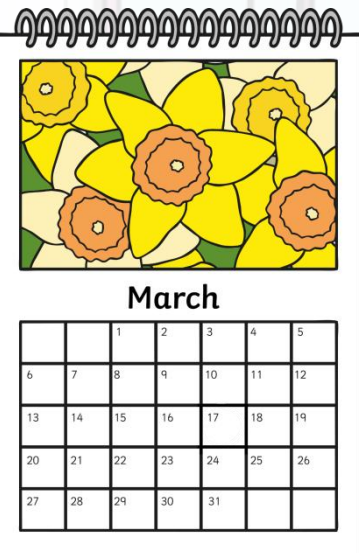
Reading is really important in Year 1.

- Children have a guided reading book to take home every Wednesday that must be returned on Monday.
- We also have reading for pleasure books that the children can take home every Friday and swap it for a new book the next week.
- You can help support your child's reading development by listening to them read, reading to them yourself and sharing a variety of books at home.
- We value your support and encourage you to contribute to your child's reading diary, regularly.



Key Events in Key Stage 1

- We like to celebrate our work and achievements throughout the year and welcome you to be involved. Here are some of the main school events to look forward to:
- A year group performance - Jack and the Beanstalk
- Sports Day
- Parents' Evenings
- Phonics screening check
- Trips — West Midlands Safari Park
- We also offer a range of after school clubs for year 1 (details of these will be notified by letter each half term)



How Can You help?

- We want to encourage your children to be as independent as possible. For example, we encourage them to be responsible for remembering their own reading books. Read everything! Books are for enjoyment, as well as learning, so encourage reading as much as you can. Talk about what they've read, ask opinions, make predictions, visit the library and make sure your child sees you reading too.
- Taking care of their own belongings is important too!



Any Questions?

- We hope that this presentation is useful. Should you have any questions, please feel free to email us at enquiries@springfield.Sandwell.sch.uk
- We aim to ensure that your children's experience in Year 1 is a happy and rewarding one. We look forward to working with both you and your child/children.

