

Forest Schools:



Forest School takes place every Thursday from 10:15 until 12:00 with Mrs Rudd and Mrs Stockley. Please ensure children have their Forest School clothes in school each week. When the weather gets colder, please also provide clearly named hats and gloves. As Wellington boots do not provide much insulation, please include extra socks too. If you would like to join us please come and sign up on the timetable above the children's trays.

Topic: London

Our focus texts are: The Queen's Knickers, Shh! Don't wake the royal baby! , non fiction books about London and Katie in London. The children will learn to retell the stories using actions and they will write about the characters and London landmarks. They will also read and write letters, post cards and labels.

We will be looking closely at maps of London and the United Kingdom and drawing our own.

Role Play

Our role play area reflects our topic; it is Buckingham Palace. The children can dress up, act as royalty or servants and do royal jobs.

PE:



Year 1 will do PE on Monday afternoons with Miss Abrey, our PE specialist. The children will be sent home in their PE kits. They will be learning Gymnastics and Multi- skills.

Reading:



All children are expected to read and share books at home on a daily basis. One or two entries per week are sufficient in your child's reading record. Children can choose one or two books from the banded/ colour coded book shelves and they can change these in the morning at 8:45.

Each child has a band/colour coded guide looped through the front cover of their reading record. Please use this to help guide them.

Guided reading sessions are taught throughout the week, and the text that has been read will come home with your child to be read again and talked about. These are kept for a week and collected during the next guided reading session; this will help us keep our guided reading sets together.

Year 1

Mrs Rudd and Mrs Stockley

Clubs

We have a superb Breakfast Club where the children can eat cereal, pancakes, fruit and all sorts of delicious food. Please speak to Liz Newland-Smith or one of the JACS team for more information.

Information about after school clubs will be coming shortly.

A polite reminder!

We in the Infant Department take the register at 8:55 and start our learning at 9.00. The children are welcome to come into the classroom at 8:45. Please use the external door that leads straight to the trays for morning drop off and our classroom external door for pick up. Thank you to the parents who are leaving their push chairs outside. This has alleviated the corridor congestion considerably.

Phonics

All Children in the Infants have daily phonics lessons taught through the scheme 'Letters and Sounds'. Children are grouped into different phases to learn phonics according to their phonic knowledge.



Maths

We do daily counting to encourage children to read order and write numbers to 50 and beyond. Skills we are focusing on include; counting on and back starting at any number, odd and even numbers, knowing 1 and 10 more and less.

We use number lines and number squares daily, as using these efficiently is a vital skill that continues right up to Year 6. (Imagine a number line increasing in decimals!)

The children do guided maths groups as well as independent investigations.

In Year 1 we sometimes record our maths using +, -, = signs and pictures.

Topic Overview - Year One

London's Calling...

Classroom Environment	* Palace * Tourist office and bus.	Educational Visits	Cornerstone Theatre (Play TBC)
Wow Factor Launch	Classroom environment	Key Texts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Queens Knickers ○ Shh! Don't wake the royal baby! ○ Non fiction books about London ○ Katie in London
Outcomes /Open Day	London art week.	Homework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reading
English	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Labels for landmarks ○ Lists of family ○ Non-fiction facts about London ○ Speech bubbles – questions ○ Retelling stories and creating story maps 	RE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Harvest festival.
Maths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Number patterns and sequences ○ Directions, left, right, turns ○ Measuring – tall, taller, tallest ○ Money 	Art / DT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Make transport and landmarks. ○ Side portrait – stamps. ○ Flags
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ My body 	Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ London Bridge – singing in rounds. ○ London's burning ○ Sound-scapes for transport/busy street ○ Big Ben Rap
Computing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Phonics play ○ Maths whiz ○ Navigating web pages for maths and phonics games 	PE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Multi-skills ○ Gymnastics
History	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Our families, when our parents were young. How we've changed. 	Forest School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rules and routine ○ Cooperation games ○ Maths link- 2D shape & directions (left and right)
Geography	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finding London on the map. ○ Capital city 	PSHE + SMSC	Belonging – to my family, my class, my school, my community.

