



Year 1 – Autumn Term 1 Newsletter

Start of day: 8:30am (gates open 8:20am) End of day: 3:00pm

Dear Parent/carer,

We hope you have had a lovely summer break. A big welcome from all of us in Year 1. All members of staff are happy to chat with you at any time over the year regarding the learning and well-being of your child. Do not hesitate to contact us using enquiries@christscollege.org.uk, or by ringing the school office. Below are some important things for this term.

Homework Expectations

Reading – **Book changed every Monday**

Children are to read minimum 3 times a week and have their reading diary signed by an adult. **Reading diaries and books to be brought into school daily.**

Spelling – **Spelling test every Friday**

Children will receive spellings to practise on a Friday.

Science

Our topic

Seasons: Autumn to Winter

Plants: labelling a flower and a tree.



Religious Studies

Our topic

What are religions? Judaism and the creation story.



Geography

Our topic

Our school and local area.



Art

Our topic

Line drawing



Computing

Our topic

Online safety



PSHE

Our topic

Health and wellbeing.



Maths

We are learning:

counting forwards to 10 and backwards.

addition and subtraction to 10



Winning with Numbers

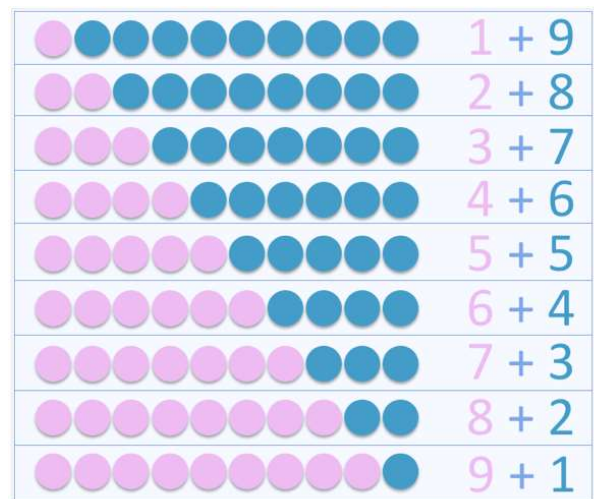
Work with your child at home to complete 1 win a week.

Login details are in the front of your child's reading diary.



Number facts to learn

Number bonds to 10



English

Stories we are basing our writing on...

Narrative: Little Red Riding Hood, Pinocchio

Non-Fiction: Our trip to the woods



Tricky words to learn.



I to was

the saw said

she we he

Top tips to Read with your child!

1. Encourage your child to read

Reading helps your child's wellbeing, develops imagination and has educational benefits too. Just a few minutes a day can have a big impact on children of all ages.

2. Read aloud regularly

Try to read to your child every day. It's a special time to snuggle up and enjoy a story. Children love re-reading them and poring over the pictures. Try adding funny voices to bring characters to life

3. Encourage reading choice

Give children lots of opportunities to read different things in their own time - it doesn't just have to be books. There's fiction, non-fiction, poetry, comics, magazines, recipes and much more.

4. Read together

Choose a favourite time to read together as a family and enjoy it. This might be everyone reading the same book together, reading different things at the same time, or getting your children to read to each other.

5. Create a comfortable environment

Make a calm, comfortable place for your family to relax and read independently - or together.

6. Make use of your local library

Visit them when you're able to and explore all sorts of reading ideas. Local libraries also offer brilliant online materials, including audio books and eBooks.

7. Talk about books

This is a great way to make connections and make reading even more enjoyable. Talk about what you've been reading and share ideas like how the book makes you feel

8. Bring reading to life

Try cooking a recipe you've read together. Would you recommend it to a friend? Play a game where you pretend to be the characters in a book.

9. Make reading active

Play games that involve making connections between pictures, objects and words, such as reading about an object and finding similar things in your home

10. Engage your child in reading in a way that suits them

You know your child best and you'll know the best times for your child to read.