

# TRANSITION INFORMATION



Welcome to Year 1  
2022-2023

# TEACHERS

Class Teacher – Miss Baker

Teaching Assistants – Mrs Jones and Mrs Williams

# Start and End times of the day

The school day starts at 8:30

The school day ends at 3:00

Please ask at the school office for more information around wraparound care

Please ensure that children are on time for the start of the day.

Should children not be collected at the end of the day on time, they will be placed in the wrap around care and parents could be charged at the usual rate, depending on the time of collection.

# Uniform

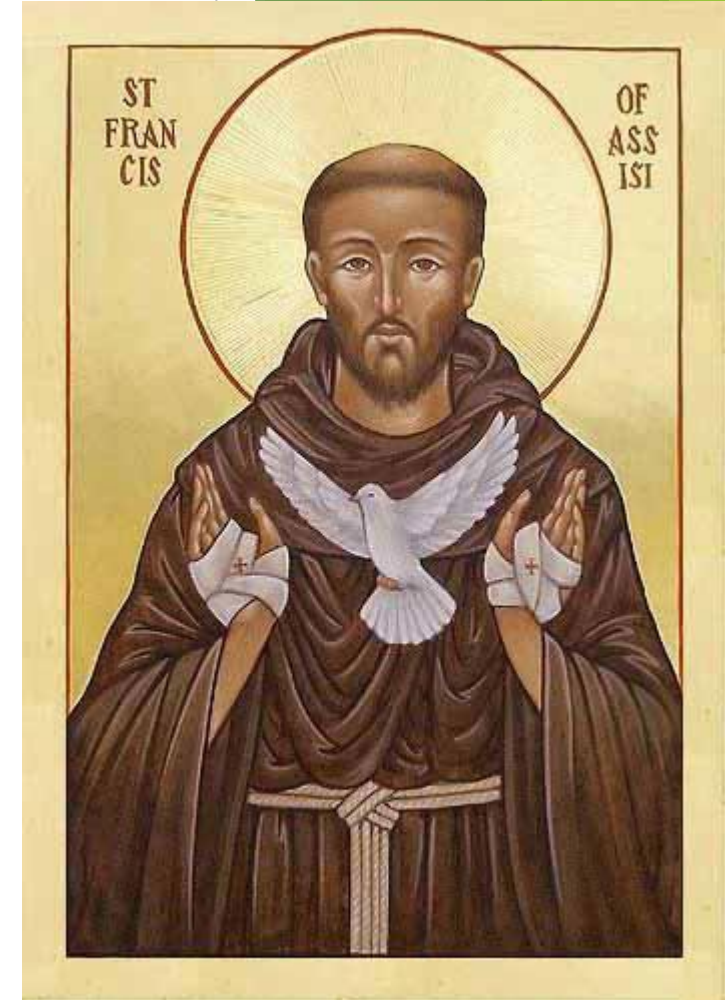
- All children must present in the correct uniform each day.
- Please label all items of uniform including ties and shoes.
- Hair – conventionally cut with no visible lines. Appropriate length (not shaven or less than grade 2). Shoulder length hair should be tied back at all times using a bow or bobble. Highlights/Lowlights are not permitted. **Small** bows or hair bands may be worn.
- Earrings are **not** permitted.
- Please bring a water bottle each day and remember to take these home each day to be cleaned.

# Class Saint

Each class has a representative Class Saint who guides us and inspires us during the year.

Our class Saint is St Francis of Assisi.

We will celebrate his feast day on the 4<sup>th</sup> October.



# Curriculum

- RE is taught at least twice a week. The Catholic Faith with its values and virtues run through and underpin the whole curriculum.
- Mathematics and English are taught daily.
- Each half term/term, we will study books which will drive our writing forward.
- The first activity of the day is arithmetic based. This is completed as soon as the children sit down at the start of the day hence the importance of punctuality.
- Guided Reading is taught daily and focuses on comprehension, inference, finding and recording evidence and making links across texts.
- Children will use enquiry based learning in all foundation subject areas

# Curriculum

Each half term, we will have a new topics to focus on in Year 1 to inspire our learning across the curriculum. We will read lots of books and carryout cross-curricular activities that help us to embed out learning in these topics. Our curriculum overview is on our class page of the website.

This year, we will focus on the following areas:

## Autumn 1

History – What were toys like in the past?

Science - Animals including humans. How are animals similar to and different from one another?

## Autumn 2

Geography - Where do I live in the world?

Science- Animals including humans. How are animals similar to and different from one another?

## Spring 1

History – What earned Stoke-On-Trent the name of The Potteries? Is this still relevant today?

Science – Everyday Materials. Which materials should the Three Little Pigs have used to build their house?

## Spring 2

Geography – What are the Seasons?

How do we represent the weather?

Science – Plants. How do plants grow?

## Summer 1

History – Why was Reginal Mitchell so important to Stoke-on-Trent and Britain?

Science – Plants. How do plants grow?

## Summer 2

Geography – What and where are the Poles?

Science – Seasonal Changes. What cloths were sutable for the different seasons.

# Homework- Reading

The children are expected to read their reading book to an adult **every day**. Please encourage the children to read the words they know and only sound out unfamiliar words. Once they have read please sign their diary.

Their diaries are checked daily and dojos will be added for each day the children have read at home.

Books are changed on a **Monday and Thursday**.

If your child has not finished reading their book, please make this clear so the book does not get changed.



# Homework

Children are expected to practice number bonds daily.  
Year 1 children will do times tables later on in the year.

Children are expected to complete a weekly maths homework based around the week's learning in school.

Children are expected to complete a weekly English homework which will be linked to their phonics learning for the week

Homework will be handed out on a Friday and is due back in on a Wednesday.

Our Mission Statement is:

“Love One Another as I Have Loved You.”

Our School Rules are:

- ▶ Respect for God
- ▶ Respect for others
- ▶ Respect for other people's property and belongings
- ▶ Respect for yourself

It is important all our children know the mission statement and school rules and can talk about them when discussing positive and negative behaviour.

# Daily Rewards – dojos

Children are awarded Dojos for positive work-related behaviour such as reading at home, producing a good piece of work in class, trying hard in lessons etc.

Dojos are left to accumulate throughout the year. Children will receive a special certificate when they reach 100, 200 or 300 dojos

Negative dojos are issued for not following the school respect rules.

## Daily Rewards – House Points

Children are awarded house points for demonstrating the school rules in their thoughts, words and actions.

The house team with the most points will be celebrated in assembly every two weeks.

# P.E

Children will have 2 hours of P.E every week.

Our PE Day/s is **Tuesday** every week.

Children are expected to come to school with their PE kit in a kit bag, which will be kept in school until half term.

All children must have correct school PE kit in school on PE days. This includes suitable footwear and clothing that follows school guidelines and is suitable for the weather.

P.E days may change each half term.

# National Testing

## **Year 1 phonics screening test.**

The children will read 20 real and 20 alien words with a familiar adult.

The test will take place in June 2023.

More information will be given about the Phonics Screening Test later in the school year.

# Staying Safe Online

Please talk and chat to your children about how they can be safe when using the internet and any device.

**Be smart on the internet**

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**S SAFE** Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information when chatting or posting online. Personal information includes your email address, phone number and password.

**M MEETING** Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents' or carers' permission and even then only when they can be present. Remember online friends are still strangers even if you have been talking to them for a long time.

**A ACCEPTING** Accepting emails, IM messages, or opening files, pictures or texts from people you don't know or trust can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty messages!

**R RELIABLE** Someone online might lie about who they are, and information on the internet may not be true. Always check information with other websites, books or someone who knows.

**t TELL** Tell your parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone or something makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online.   
You can report online abuse to the police at [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

**www.kidsmart.org.uk**

**KidSMART** Visit Childnet's Kidsmart website to play interactive games and test your online safety knowledge. You can also share your favourite websites and online safety tips by Joining Hands with people all around the world.

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## Other useful information

- Curriculum overviews will be uploaded to our school website termly
- Key dates will be available on the school website and on each monthly news letter. The newsletter will be published at the beginning of every month.
- Children do not need to bring pencil cases in to school as all stationary will be provided by school.
- Children can bring a healthy snack for break time.
- Please bring a water bottle each day and remember to take these home each day