We read lots of amazing books with the children in KS1. Our 'recommended reading list' consists of books that we read in **every** class in KS1. If you are looking for books to read at home with your children, this list is a great place to start.



Y2 Hollowford Residential

Keep an eye out for information on the Y2 residential that will take place in the Summer term.

There will be an information sharing meeting in the coming weeks.

PE days

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| Y1F | Tuesdays and Thursdays | |
| (1TL | Tuesdays and Thursdays | |
| 1/2D | Mondays and Thursdays | |
| Y2M | Mondays and Thursdays | |
| Y2B | Mondays and Wednesdays | |
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| First day back at school Living history day Parents evening |
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| Parents evening |
| Early Maths Parent workshop Time– TBC |
| Spring half term holiday |
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RECOMMENDED READING



| TITLE | AUTHOR | |
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| Mermaid | Cerri Burnell | |
| The Boy Who Could Do What He Liked | David Baddiel | |
| The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark | Jill Tomlinson | |
| The Highway Rat | Julia Donaldson | |
| Ellie and the Cat | Malorie Blackman | |
| Giraffes Can't Dance | Giles Andeae | |
| Odd Dog Out | Rob Biddolph | |
| Pink Is For Boys | Robb Pearlman | |
| It's a No Money Day | Kate Milner | |
| Sam Wu is Not Afraid of Ghosts | Kevin & Kate Tsang | |
| Gerald the Giraffe and Friends | Mike Callaghan | |
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KSI Newsletter



Spring 1: New Topic

We are really looking forward to introducing this half term's history topic - **The Great Fire of London**. We are going to learn all about this historic event and how it changed the world that we live in. In our **history** lessons, we will study the **chronology** of the Great Fire of London, the key people involved and look at artefacts to help us understand the positives and negatives of the disaster. **In English**, we will be writing some emotive diary entries as if we were there. We are also going to write some newspaper reports about the event to show off our knowledge of the Great Fire of London. We will be kicking off the half term with **'Living History Day'** on Tuesday 7th January where the children will meet some of the historical figures from the Great Fire of London and learn all about them straight from the horse's mouth. They will get to meet Thomas Farriner, Samuel Pepys, a fire officer, Sir Christopher Wren and the reigning monarch at the time- King Charles II.

In maths, the year 1s will be starting with some number work before moving onto measurements and using rulers. The year 2s will be honing their multiplication and division skills before moving onto 2D and 3D shapes. Keep an eye out for further information on our **Early Maths parent workshop** where you will be invited in to have a look at the activities and methods we use in our Year 1 and 2 Maths lessons as well as receiving resources and strategies to support your child in their Maths learning.



Home Learning

In KS1 we encourage the children to read at home as much as possible - ideally, **3 to 5 times a week**. This is to support the reading we do with the children in school.

We also encourage them to **practise key maths skills** through weekly homework sheets. These will be sent home on a Monday and should be returned to class teachers by the Friday of that week so that they can be exchanged for Dojos.

All children in school still have access to the EdShed, which is a great way of practise phonics, spelling and maths skills. Their login details are available from your child's class teacher upon request. **Please see the attached log in guide for further guidance on how to use this.**

We understand that it is not always possible to achieve this every week, so we always advise people to fit this in with whatever works best in their personal circumstances.