

Welcome to Monet Class!

Year 1 and 2



Our class prayer is based on our school vision.

**Dear God,
Please help us to learn for life, achieve
our best and grow in faith.
In Jesus's name.
Amen**

Teaching Staff:

Class Teachers

Mrs MacLeod

Y1 Monday – Thursday mornings

Mrs Grover

Y2 Monday - Thursday mornings

Y1/Y2 Monday-Tuesday afternoons

Miss Slater

Y1/Y2 Thursday afternoon and Friday

Mrs Richardson **TA**

Mrs Crossan **TA**

Wednesday afternoons consist of Computing and PE outside of the classroom.

Physical Education

This will usually take place on **Monday** and **Wednesday**

A few reminders for PE:

- Please can children come to school ready for PE with the correct kit for full participation.
 - Long hair should be tied back.
 - No jewellery – Necklaces, friendship bracelets etc.
- Earrings should be removed completely and only covered with tape in exceptional circumstances.
- Children should currently be wearing a white t-shirt, black shorts and suitable shoes for indoor/outdoor sport.
 - In cold weather they may also need plain black jogging bottoms and hoodies.



Classroom Routines



- Please bring your book bag and reading diary into school everyday for sharing notes on reading and messages.
- Reading books can be changed first thing every morning or when you have finished the book. Year 1 will have an e-book released on a Wednesday to be read online.
- Water bottles, hats and wellies - to be kept in school.
- Please send your child to school with a waterproof coat everyday as we will be out in all weathers.
- Bags – to maximise space in the cloakroom and minimise items being brought into school, pupils will only require a book bag and **not** a rucksack.
- Please send in a small change of clothes that can be kept on your child's peg in a named plastic bag. This will prevent the borrowing of clothes following an accident.

Learning in Monet Class

Throughout Key Stage 1 we learn in a variety of ways:

- First hand experiences and exploration allowing opportunities for independence and decision making with adult guidance.
- Guided Groups with focused delivery from teaching staff
- Whole class teaching and learning. There are also opportunities for pupils to receive individual feedback as necessary.

Assessment

Observations, assessments and work gathered throughout the year help to assess your child against the end of Key Stage One curriculum framework.

Home Learning

Please do read every day for at least 15 – 20mins. This can involve sharing a book, listening to your child read or an adult reading to the child.

Home tasks to support school-based learning:

- Practise mathematical facts – making use of Mathletics. (Log in details can be found in the front of the children's reading diaries).
- Year 2 can also use Times Tables Rockstars. (Log in details can be found in the front of the children's reading diaries.)
- Phonics (see next page)
- High Frequency Words or Common Exception Words (Tricky Words) for both reading and spelling

Phonics

Please practise the sounds from each phase that your child is working on currently:

Year 1 - Phase 3 and 4

Year 2 - Phase 5

[Phonics play](#) has free games and activities on their website.



Spelling

Children need to learn to read and spell the following High Frequency Words (HFW) and Common Exception Words (CEW):

Year 1 – CEW [click here for the common exception list](#)

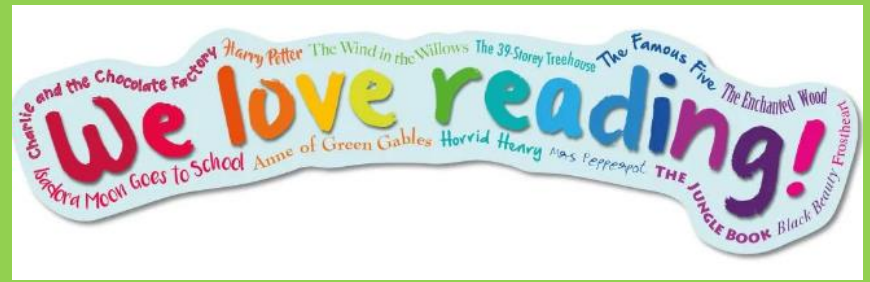
HFW [click here for high frequency list](#)

Year 2 – CEW [click here for the common exception list](#)

HFW [click here for high frequency list](#)

Please follow the links to print out the words. You could then use these as flashcards for reading, snap, bingo or to practice spelling the words in small groups at a time.

Reading



- In Monet Class, we love to read! Everyday, we enjoy sharing a range of books in class. We listen to our teacher read, we read to each other and we also read individually or to our teacher.
- In order to support your child's reading, we complete a detailed diagnostic assessment so that we can accurately understand their reading level. This is then reviewed throughout the school year.
- Your child will receive **one or two** books each night. They will always be sent home with a **Shared Reading Book**. We hope that you enjoy sharing these with your child – it could be a non-fiction book, a comic or a picture book story. The second (which may come home daily or may only be sent home Thursday and Friday) will be a book suited for their individual reading level. These books may be hard copy or for those children working through phonic phases, will be accessed online. Please encourage your child to read these levelled books aloud, and support them with their reading.

Behaviour

In Monet Class, we reward positive learning and behaviour with a token.

The children can choose which reward box they would like to put their token in.

At the end of every half term, we count the tokens and the whole school celebrates with the chosen reward.



We have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know your children over the last week and we are looking forward to a great year ahead!