



Oxbridge Lane Primary School



Welcome to Year 1

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I am Miss Amerigo and I am the headteacher at Oxbridge Lane Primary School.

Welcome to your new year group! I hope you have a fantastic time during transition week and that you enjoy meeting your new class and teachers. There is so much for you to learn, and I am sure you are all excited to get started.

Have a wonderful summer and I am looking forward to seeing you back at school in September.

Classrooms and Areas



Look at our fantastic classrooms!

We try and make it as exciting as possible giving you lots of time to explore our topics in the environment. Our classroom is filled with the magic and wonder of learning. Every day is a day filled with endless promise and another key to unlock your potential and imagination. Learning in Year 1 is all about you! Together we are one team and all of you are the biggest part. Our classroom will grow around our learning which means we always need your help!



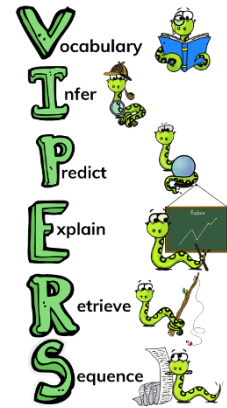
In school, we follow the Jolly Phonics scheme. To learn more about the scheme, please use this web link:

<https://www.jollylearning.co.uk/>

VIPERS

We teach reading through daily VIPERS lessons. It is an acronym of the 6 reading domains as part of the UK's reading curriculum. They are the key areas which we feel children need to know and understand in order to improve their comprehension of texts.

VIPERS stands for Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval, Sequence or Summarise



Year 1 Phonics Screening

The Phonics Screening Check takes place in all Year 1 classes in June. It checks if all children have reached the appropriate standard in Phonics.

Sound	Picture	Word
sh		shop
ch		yell
ck		peel
ck		check

A familiar teacher works one to one with the child to read a list of 40 real and pseudo (not real) words. Pictures of imaginary creatures are used next to the pseudo words to help the children realise that they are not real words. There will be more information about this sent out in the Spring

Useful Websites

Phonics games: <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

Practise Phonics Screening materials:

<https://www.sats-papers.co.uk/phonics-screening-test/>



Mathematics

Power Maths

In school we use Power Maths. This programme is designed to spark curiosity and excitement, nurture confidence in maths and embed a growth mind-set approach to maths. It focuses on helping all children to build a deep understanding of mathematical concepts.



Numbots

In Year 1, we use Numbots so that children can develop their understanding, recall and fluency in mental addition and subtraction. This will ensure that they move from counting to calculating.

Children will be given a login to use in school and at home.

Learning to Read

In Year 1, reading is taught through daily English and Phonics lessons, as well as VIPERS lessons. Teachers in Year 1 give a high priority to the

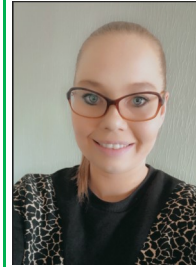
teaching of reading and will continue to

use the Jolly Phonics reading programme that was used in Early Years. This offers children the opportunity to build on the work they have done in Nursery and Reception and apply them in their reading and writing.



It is important that you read and share a variety of texts with your child, including fiction and non-fiction books, magazines, recipes, comics, shopping lists and much more.

Staff in Year 1



Mrs. Verity

Hi, my name is Mrs Verity and I will be one of the Year 1 teachers next year. I am really looking forward to continuing our journey together as we already know each other so well after being together in reception for the last year. I have been a teacher for nine years now and I have been teaching at Oxbridge for two years now. Before being in reception I was in year 1 and I am excited to be back in year 1 for the next year. We have got lots of exciting things to look forward to across the year and I can't wait for all the amazing learning that is going to happen in our brilliant classroom. Over the year we have lots of fun and interesting topics to look forward to, including, Super Me, splendid skies, toy story and the enchanted forest. Our class name is Giles Andreae, a fantastic author who has written lots of brilliant books which we will be learning all about during transition week. I love reading, being creative and I am going to enjoy continuing to share these interests and your interests with you next year! I know it is going to be a wonderful year together!! I am looking forward to continuing to watch you all shine while growing in confidence, independence and perseverance!

Mrs Verity



Miss Johnson

Hello,

I'm Miss Johnson and I will be one of the Year 1 teachers starting in September. I am thrilled to be starting my teaching career here at Oxbridge Primary School. I can't wait to get to know you all and create lots of new memories on our learning journey together. You'll all be amazing! The theme for September is authors – our class author is Dr.Seuss. Do you know any Dr.Seuss books already? My favourite topics are Maths, Science and PE. In Science, I cannot wait to see you all being scientists as we carry out a lot of practical experiments together. I hope you're all ready for 'big school', this is just the start to become something incredible.

I am looking forward to meeting you all and I hope you are all as excited as me



Miss Illingworth

Hello, my name is Miss Illingworth and I am one of the teaching assistants who will be working in Year 1. I am really looking forward to working with the children and staff this year, some of the children may already know me from visiting Reception on an afternoon or on the morning gate. I can't wait to get to know all the children and our topic 'super me.'



Mrs Powell

Hello,
I'm Mrs Powell, I'm really looking forward to working with you all in September. We have lots of new and exciting things to look forward to.
Enjoy the holidays!

School Uniform

Our uniform is important to us as it shows we are proud to be part of the Oxbridge family.

Our uniform is:

A green sweatshirt / cardigan
White polo shirt
Black or grey trousers / skirt
Sensible shoes
Book bag



For summer

Green gingham dresses
Black or grey shorts

For safety reasons please keep all jewellery at home.

PE Uniform

Children take part in 2 hours of PE each week. They should come to school wearing their PE clothes and will remain in them throughout the day.

PE Days in Year 1 are: **Tuesday and Wednesday**

Our PE kit is:

White t-shirt
Black shorts / jogging bottoms / leggings
Black jumper / hoody or school jumper.
Plimsolls or trainers



With 60 five year olds in one space, you will understand our reasons for asking you to **PLEASE LABEL** all clothing clearly. Uniform with our logo embroidered on can be ordered from **Elizabeth's Embroidery** if you wish to do so.

Year 1 Curriculum

The main difference between Reception and Year 1 is the change of curriculum. For two years or more, your child has been following Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum and being assessed against the 7 Areas of Learning.

In Year 1, your child will progress from these 7 Areas of Learning, to the National Curriculum subjects for Key Stage 1. The classroom continues to be designed in a continuous provision set up to promote independence and learning through play.

To find more information about the curriculum in Year 1, please visit the National Curriculum website at:

<https://www.gov.uk/national-curriculum/key-stage-1-and-2>

Topics Covered

Throughout Year 1, children will learn these foundation subjects:

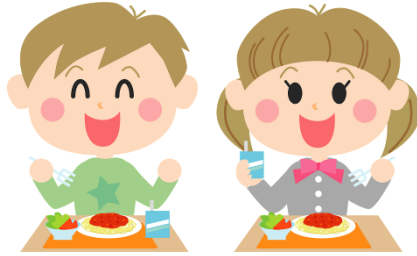
- Science
- History
- Geography
- Art and Design Technology (DT)
- Religious Education (RE)
- Physical Education (PE)
- Personal, Social, Health and Economic (PSHE)
- Relationships and sex education (RSE) - age appropriate
- Music

The overview for the foundation subjects curriculum can be found on our school website.



Lunchtime

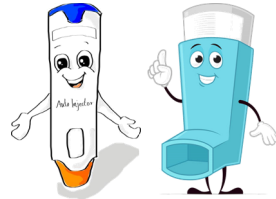
Lunchtime is a very sociable time. At Oxbridge Lane, children sit in the dining hall to eat lunch alongside their friends. We encourage the children to try all the food. The menu will be made available on our website.



Food menus cater for vegetarians, medical dietary needs and allergies. We are also very happy to work with you and your child to make sure that they are able to eat the food on offer. We know that some children can be fussy, but we are committed to working with you to help your child enjoy a wider range of foods. The children drink water with their food.

Medicines

Asthma inhalers, epi-pens and other prescribed medication will be administered in school where necessary. **Please ask the School Office for the relevant permission form.**



Google Classroom

Throughout the year, we will be setting homework and activities for your child to do on Google Classroom.



Should we need to continue with any home based remote learning, we will use this platform.

Accounts will be set up and shared with children and parents in the Autumn Term.

Getting your child ready for Year 1

Children in Reception will have had lots of discussions with their teachers about moving up into Year 1. You could support your child to be ready for Year 1 by:

Maths

Look at shapes and patterns in the environment. Practise counting, reading and writing numbers to 100.

English

Read and share a variety of books. Retell the main points of the story. Practising phonics daily and learning to read familiar words.

School Hours

The school day begins at **8:45am**. Children will come into the playground to line up with their teacher.

Lunch starts at **11:45am** and the afternoon session begins at **12:30pm**.

The school day ends at **3:15pm**.

Collecting Your Child

The playground gates will be opened at 8:45am and 3:10pm. Please wait outside the gates until a member of staff opens them.

At the end of the school day, children in Year 1 will line up under the canopy and are asked not to go to their adult until a member of staff calls their name.

All children must be collected by a responsible adult who is known to the staff.



Attendance and Punctuality

It is important that your child attends **on time every day** in order to reach their full potential and to get the best possible opportunities from our school.

If your child is unwell, it is important that you ring in and report your child's absence on the first day. If your child becomes ill during the school day, we will contact you. **Please ensure your contact details are kept up-to-date with the school office.**

School Rules

At Oxbridge Lane Primary School we have 3 school rules that are followed throughout school.

They are:

Be ready
Be respectful
Be safe

These simple rules are easy to follow and we encourage pupils to reflect on their own behaviour within school.

Working in Partnership

Workshops

We run a series of workshops throughout the year that parents may wish to attend.

Parents' Evenings

We hold two parent's evenings a year for you to meet with your child's teacher and review their learning journey.

End of Year Report

A written report is given to you towards the end of the summer term.

Keeping in Touch with You

SchoolComms

All letters and information that you receive from school are sent to you electronically via SchoolComms. We do need you to provide us with your email address so that we can use this system. If this is not a suitable method, we can send paper copies.

PLEASE make sure that you have signed and returned the SchoolComms permission form.

Website: www.oxbridgelane.org.uk

This is a very useful place to look for information. In emergencies, such as snowy weather, which may cause us to close the school, the website will keep you up to date. All letters sent by SchoolComms are also available to view on the website.

Newsletter

These are published regularly. This is how we keep you up to date on what is happening in school.

Oxbridge Lane Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

We are hoping to draw together friends of Oxbridge past and present. If you have ideas that could make this association grow, please get in touch and join in.

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