



# Coleham Primary School

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Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome to Key stage 1! In September, your child will be moving from EYFS to year 1, which is an exciting time. Your child will be part of the main school with all the children up to year 6, so it can also be quite daunting. This letter is to let you know what it will be like, so the transition will be much smoother.

## Meet the team



My name is Mr Larkham. I teach in 2Y and I am the KS1 leader: my job as KS1 leader is to support staff, pupils and parents with any issues that may arise.

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## YEAR 1



Miss Saunders: 1X teacher [saunders.s@colehamprimary.co.uk](mailto:saunders.s@colehamprimary.co.uk)



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Mrs A. Barrett: Year 1 TA



Mrs S. Barrett: Year 1 TA



Miss C Lewis: Year 1 TA

### **Drop-off and pick-up**

Children in KS1 are dropped off at the small door at the front of the school and to the right of the main reception (opposite the butcher's shop). The doors open at 8:40am and shut at 8:50am, when the register is completed. After 8:50am, you will need to take your child to the main reception to be marked as present on the register. There will be 2 members of staff on the door to take any notes or messages for your child's teacher. We ask that you do not enter the building with your child as we have an obligation to ensure the safety and security of every child in the building. There is not enough space for children and adults to all enter at the same time, and we cannot keep track of adults entering the building without having been signed in at the office. In addition, we want the children to be as independent as possible.

If you need to speak to your child's teacher about an issue, the end of the school day is the best time, as more time can be made available. Alternatively, a meeting can be organised for the earliest convenient time by speaking to the main reception. If the matter is not urgent, (for example: *My child has lost a PE shoe, can someone help him have a look for it?*) then a note can be left with a member of staff on the door.

Year 1 children are picked up on the KS1 playground adjacent to Longden Road at 3:00pm. Both 1X and 1Y have an outside green door that the children will come out of.

### **Expectations in and out of school**

The high expectations of effort and behaviour are carried over from EYFS. There is no homework, as such, but we insist on daily reading and the practise of the 2x, 5x and 10x tables as a minimum. In year 1, we also recommend practising number facts such as number bonds to 10 and 20. There are also phonics to practise and weekly spellings. Reading books are not generally changed every day as the books in year 1 are a little more challenging. We also like to try and foster fluency and stamina in reading, by reading books for more than one day at a time. This sets the children up for much longer books in year 2 and beyond.

In-class, the day is structured around the [National Curriculum](#), which is mandatory from years 1 to 6. This means that there will be fewer opportunities for child-initiated learning, but the children will still be learning in a fun, engaging and unpressurised environment.

KS1 is an exciting time for you and your child. The work and expectations gradually become greater, but your child's resilience and desire to achieve will also grow as they mature and take more responsibility for themselves.

If you have any worries or concerns, please contact the school. We look forward to seeing you in September!

**The Key Stage 1 team.**

## Coleham Primary School Transition to Year 1 Process

The following process is in place to ensure children's successful transition to their Year 1 class:

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- EYFS and Year 1 teachers meet to plan Key stage transition and to write individual's transition plans
- EYFS and Y1 teachers meet with individual's parents.

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- Dates are arranged for sessions for individuals
- Dates are arranged for Whole class sessions
- Dates arranged for Year 1 Teachers and TAs to observe the EYFS children in EYFS with their current class teacher
- Dates are arranged for class information hand over
- Dates are arranged for Parent transition open evening (25.06.18)

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- Individual transition plans are followed for 7 weeks prior to the summer
- Whole class transition sessions occur (All day 09.07.18)
- Year 1 teachers observe EYFS children in EYFS classroom with current teacher
- Class information is handed over. Pupils of concern or those to be monitored carefully are shared.
- Parent transition open evening occurs

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- Meeting between Year 1 and EYFS teachers occurs in September to review transition process, ensure effective strategies are shared for individuals and all individuals are performing as expected.