Year 1 Newsletter

Friday 23rd October 2026

If you need to contact your child's teacher, please use the class email below:
Browne class: Browneclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk
Kerr class: Kerrclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk
Rosen class: Rosenclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk
McKee Class: Mckeeclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

Important Messages

We want to congratulate all the year 1 pupils for a great first half term, they have all settled well into their new year group and introduction to formal learning. We can't wait to start next half term.

On the first day back**, we will have a **WOW Day** introducing our new topic for **Autumn 2 – Superheroes!!
*We ask that your child comes into school **wearing a superhero costume**.*

*School closes on **Friday 23rd October at 3.25pm***

*School re-opens on **Monday 2nd November at 8.35am***

English

Next half term we will learn about character description and introduce grammar terms such as adjective and noun.

Things to do at home

What is a Noun?

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zrqqtfr/articles/zpd8ng8

What is an Adjective?

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zrqqtfr/articles/zy2r6yc

Maths

*This week the children have completed addition fact families and subtraction fact families within 10. The first week back the children will be learning to count to **20 forwards** and **backwards** and find **one more than** up to 20.*

Things to do at home

Please help your child to recognise, count and write numbers to 20 using the correct formation.

Phonic Sounds of the Week

Please help your child to practise the phase 2, 3, and 4 sounds and words. Help them to identify real words and made up (fake) words.

https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources

*Help your child to read the tricky words (**common exception words**) in the homework pack.*

Word of the Week

courageous

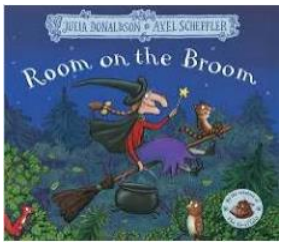
Standing up to what you know is right – even when you are afraid and others don't stand with you.

Challenge: Can you write a sentence using this word?

Each Thursday we have an achievement assembly where the class teacher chooses a child who stood out because of their amazing learning, behaviour or values.

McKee – Jayda & Shahina
Kerr – Adnan & Ayan
Rosen – Aviraj &Muhammed
Browne – Ivy & Khadija

Well done superstars!!



Home learning

Year 1 half term homework pack

Your child has taken home a homework pack for the half term break. Please help your child with learning to read and spell the **Year 1 common exception words**, practise, **number formation** and using **capital letters** and **full stops** in sentences.

Year 1 half term homework pack

Add capital letters and full stops to these sentences and rewrite them on your paper.

1. i go to Winterbourne school
2. i am in year one
3. ms Wigzell is my head teacher
4. my book bag is red with a white logo
5. today it is Wednesday
6. miss Aktar teaches Mckee class
7. coach is my PE teacher
8. children like to eat at lunch time

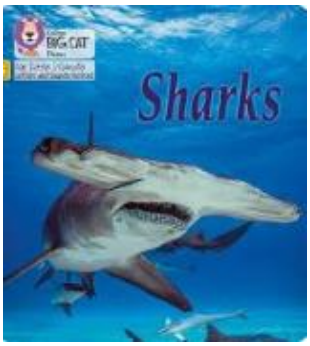
Reading Books & Reading Records

Your child will be given a new book along with their reading record. Inside there will be a note/ comment on how your child is finding the book. Please read with your child and if possible provide a comment/ note on how they read the book at home.

Please note: *We collect the children's reading books on* ***Monday,*** *they return home with a new book on* ***Friday****.*

If your child fails to return it or if it is damaged, we will be asking you to pay ***£5*** *to replace it.*

To avoid this, when you are listening to your child read at home, please encourage them to put their book into their book bag as soon as they have finished, that then means that they will always have their book when they are at school.



Attendance w/e 23/10/26

We will continue to monitor attendance.

Browne class – 99.1%
Kerr class – 92.4%
McKee class – 87.1%
Rosen class – 89.2%

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Diwali workshop

The children will be engaging in a Diwali Dance workshop on Friday 6th November 2026.

Please ensure your child is dressed in traditional clothing to celebrate their culture.

Wishing all those who celebrate a very happy Diwali.