

Expectations

We have decided, as a class, that it is essential to us that we project our school values daily in the classroom and in the wider school space. The children have suggested that they may show **resilience** when their work gets tricky. In Class 1 we do not give up because we create a supportive network where we all help and support each other. We have discussed the benefits of resilience and linked it to our **aspirations** and wishes for the future. We are dreaming BIG in Y1 and we are going to work together to reach the stars!

The children decided that they wanted to be respected in our classroom. We know how key it is that we show **respect** towards our peers, staff and property in order to see respect shown back to ourselves. This helps us to focus on our learning and aids our progress. We are all friends together in Class 1 and this year the children will have plenty of opportunities to practise our **teamworking**. We will apply this skill in other areas of school too such as in the playground with our friends and in the busy lunch hall.

We decided that the most important value to us was **kindness** because of the power and impact it can have. We relish when others are kind to us and often can remember these 'acts of kindness' for a long time after the event. We have discussed our experiences in our PSHE lessons and have a bank of ideas of ways we intend to show kindness throughout the year.

Children who show these values will be proudly praised for their efforts – the staff in Y1 love sending text messages home! We also have a 'Star of the Week' certificate that is awarded in assembly on Fridays and stickers are always well received by the children. Should your child need to be reminded to ensure that their behaviour matches these values more than once in a school day, the school's behaviour policy will be followed.

Home Learning - Although we don't have additional homework sent home, the home learning in the learning log is vital. You will also find a range of suggested websites to support your child's learning at the bottom of our class page on the website.

Reading – Every week your child will be sent home with a new recommended read book and a reading book. Please support them to look after these and ensure your child accesses both texts at home regularly. Learning Logs should be brought to school daily. These are checked weekly to ensure children are reading at home and this is where you can request further support for your child with reading.

Equipment – Every child should bring a water bottle to school daily. Drinks are stored on the trolley from first thing in the morning until pick up time to ensure that the children have quick access to them throughout the day. Your child will also require a book bag at school daily that should contain their learning log, reading book and recommended reading book. PE kits are essential for our PE lessons. The day of our PE lessons will change throughout the year, so we strongly suggest that you send your child with their PE kits on Mondays and take them home on Fridays to wash over the weekend. Don't forget that we often do PE outside so your child will need a weather appropriate kit.