

Year 1: Meet the Team

Autumn 2023

Year 1 classes:

Hussain Class:

Teacher: Becky

Teaching Assistant: Maria



Malala Class:

Teacher: Chloe

Teaching Assistant: Samina



Uniform

We encourage our children to come to school looking smart and ready for good learning.

- Trousers: dark grey
- Skirt/Pinafore dress: dark grey
- Summer dress (check pattern): Blue and white check
- tights: white, dark grey
- Cotton shirt/polo shirt: plain white or pale blue
- Sweatshirt/jumper/cardigan: John Scurr Blue
- Head scarves should be plain white or John Scurr blue and is a short 'pull on' scarf.



This year, Year 1 have PE lessons on a Thursday. PE lessons consist of structured teaching in a variety of indoor and outdoor activities. To ensure full access and high performance in PE, **your children need to come to school wearing their PE kits on a Thursday.**

- Plain shorts / leggings / tracksuit bottoms with school badge: (dark blue or John Scurr blue)
- Plain long or short sleeved T-shirt (white or pale blue). Additional sweatshirt (blue)
- They will also need <u>black</u> trainers or plimsolls.



Attendance & Punctuality

Main gates open at 8:45.

The bell will ring at 8:45 am.

- Our guided reading begins at **8:50am**, meaning anyone who is late is missing out on learning.
- Arrival after **9:00am** will be marked as late.

We hold high expectations of all of our students and expect them to attend school on time, every single day. Missing a single session has a negative impact on their learning and progress and we encourage you to mirror the same expectations at home. Please encourage your children to attend and refrain from keeping them at home unless absolutely necessary.

Absences

Absences last year for our children were almost double the national average.

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Online Safety

It is extremely important that your child's online activity is closely monitored and necessary restrictions are applied. This is to ensure their safety online and prevention of access to unsuitable material.

Please ensure you are not allowing your child to play games that are not age appropriate and that older siblings are also supporting you to maintain this.

If you need support in setting up parental controls on your devices, please seek support from us by emailing **admin@johnscurr.towerhamlets.sch.uk**

Medical Tracker

We have started using a electronic method of logging all things medical. This includes administration of medication, illnesses and injuries.

You will receive an <u>email notification</u> if your child is injured or unwell at school. **Please do not panic if you receive one - if it is serious, we will contact you immediately like we already do!**



Medical tracker is a more efficient method of recording and tracking medical needs and will help to increase student safety and improve risk management.

And...

Children need water bottles to be cleaned and refilled every day to ensure they remain hydrated throughout the day. We are able to refill them at school during the day but they need to be cleaned thoroughly at home every evening to maintain high levels of hygiene.

Please put your childs name on them.

Shoes/Trainers

Children should wear shoes that allow them to run safely around the playground e.g. black trainers or black school shoes.

Please don't let your child wear wellington boots, they offer limited support for growing feet and make running and climbing difficult.

Statutory Assessments

All children in year 1 will be sitting phonics assessments during the year. We will discuss these in more detail nearer the time.

Reading

All pupils will be given a book for reading for pleasure that they can change daily.

They will also be given a phonics book every Friday. There need to be returned to school the following friday. If a book is lost at home the school will charge a £3 fine to replace it.

All pupils will be expected to read for at least 10 minutes each day before bedtime.

After School

Readiness - Tuesdays, 3-4pm, starting next week

- Support your child's learning in school.
- Different from a club

After School Clubs, Wednesday and Thursday, 3-4pm starting next week

- Recreational
- $\hfill\square$ £5 for the term pay at the office
- Allows your child to develop their interests and enjoy time with friends
- □ Opportunities to receive house points

School Ping App

- Please make sure that the school office has the correct phone number.
- Please make sure that you have the School Ping app on your device.
- Check that you are receiving updates from us.
 - Eg did you receive the school ping about this meeting?

If you have a concern or worry

Please contact the John Scurr office team on 0207 790 3647

Or email admin@johnscurr.towerhamlets.sch.uk

Any questions?