



WELCOME

Welcome
information
meeting - Year 1

Who's who in Year 1



Mrs Jennings



Miss Jones



Mrs Jones



Mrs Neale



Mrs McGinn



Mrs Carr



Miss Cooper

Our Busy Year One Day

- 8:45 - Meet and Greet
- 8.50 - Busy Brains (Phonics activities and guided reading)
- 9:30 - Phonics

- 10:00 - Maths/ Literacy
- 10:45 - Morning Playtime
- 11:00 - Maths/Literacy
- 12:00 - Lunchtime
- 12:50 - Maths Dictionary / Handwriting / Phonics
- 1:15 - Foundation subjects (Topic, Science, PE, RE, Music, PHSE, ICT)
- 2.00 - Afternoon Playtime
- 2.15 - Foundation subjects (Topic, Science, PE, RE, Music, PHSE, ICT)
- 2.45 - Story time
- 3:15 - Home time

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

Attendance and Punctuality

We expect every child to attend *every day*, arriving at school *on time* and *remaining in school for the full school day*.

This gives your child the best opportunity to make *progress* in their learning and in their social skills.

Our aim is for every child to have at least *97%* attendance. More than 6 days absence in a school year will drop their attendance below this target.

If you are struggling to get your child into school every day on time, please ask us for help.

Please check the *Attendance and Punctuality* leaflet and the *'Is my child too ill for school?'* leaflet for more information and advice.

PE days

- PE in Year 1 is on a Monday afternoon
- Children will need a named pair of pumps for outside PE, all other kit is provided (and washed regularly!).

Growth Mindset

In Year 1 we very much encourage the children to have a **Mersey Park Mindset**. This means we show the children what it means to 'Never Give Up'.

We embrace challenges and teach the children that it is definitely ok to make mistakes because this means we're trying something new and we're learning.

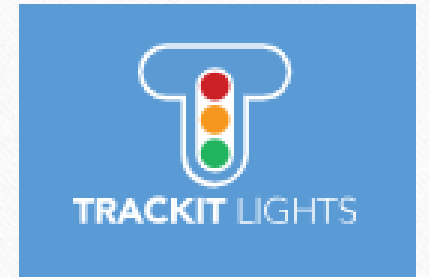


Behaviour

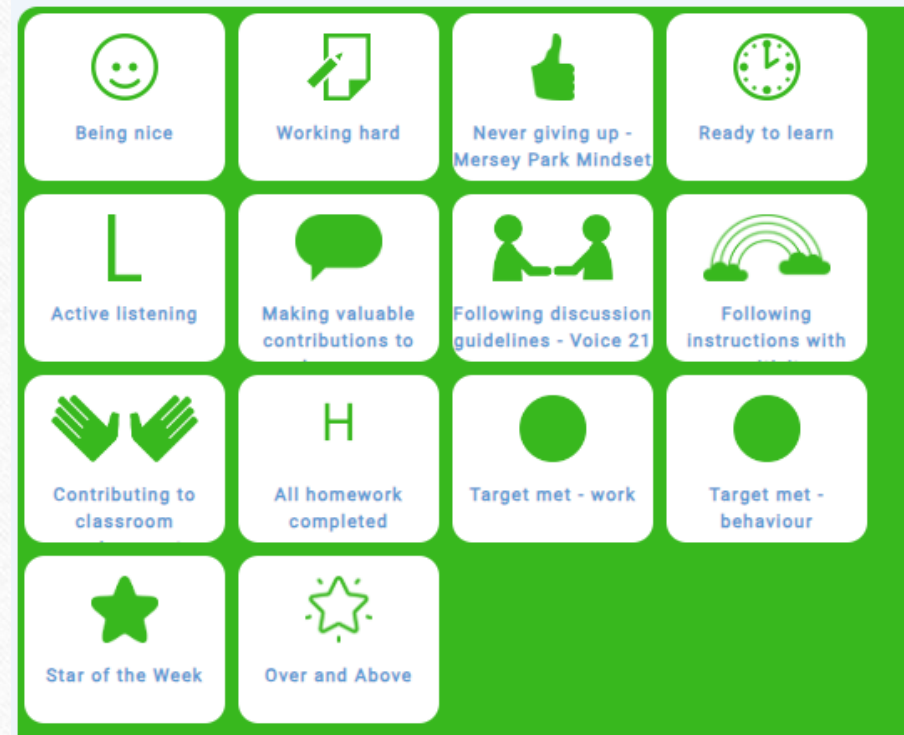
Our behaviour system is based strongly on positive behaviour

- Recognition Boards
- Over and Above tickets
- Choosing Time
- Star of the Week
- Private chat if behaviour reminder needed

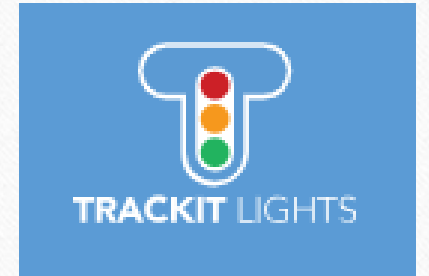
Trackit Lights



- Online behaviour recording system.
- Staff are able to immediately acknowledge positive behaviours.
- Every positive behaviour has a value.
- The points are totalled and certificates are earned.
- Parents will receive notification via the app that a certificate has been earned.



Trackit Lights



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- Negative behaviours are also recorded discretely.
 - Incidents of unacceptable behaviour that result in a pupil losing some of their lunchtime will be recorded and parents will receive an instant notification.

The system is brand new to school and we are still getting used to it!

More information about the app will follow shortly.



My Happy Mind

This is a very successful scheme for children's mental health which is funded by the NHS.

It is split into 5 areas:

- Meet your brain
- Celebrate
- Appreciate
- Relate
- Engage

It helps children to understand how their brain works and to support them in developing positive skills and habits to be their very best selves!

You will also receive a log in for the parent app to promote this at home as well as in school.

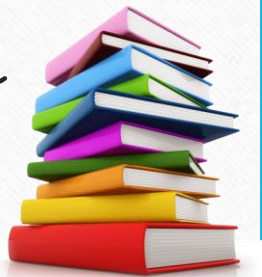
Homework

- Maths and Phonics will be sent home on a Friday and are expected to be returned on the Wednesday.
- Your child's reading book which they have read in school that week will also be sent home, alongside a library book (this to be read to the child for pleasure).
- Science and 'Talking Homework' may also be sent home.
- Homework is to be completed to a high standard and should be done in pencil.
- Maths games



Reading at home

- Reading at home is one of the best ways you can help support your child and it is very important for your child to read regularly at home!
- School library books can be changed as often as required (but at least once a week) and children take part in class competitions to win rewards and prizes for super reading.



Phonics

- Phonics is a very important part of Year 1 and is vital in your child's learning of how to read and write.
- We will have a further meeting to explain phonics, the process and how to help your child, in preparation for the Phonics Screening Check in June.

Phonics check



- During the Summer term the children will complete their Year 1 Phonics check.
- National test - Checks if children are at the Expected Standard
- Tested June 2024 (1-1 with teacher)
- Involves reading 40 words - 20 real words and 20 nonsense words
- Children are required to apply their phonic knowledge to read the words



Trips

- In school we try to provide the children with as many exciting and enriching opportunities as possible.
- Throughout the year we hope to be able to plan in a couple of school trips to enhance the children's learning experiences.
- These are heavily subsidised by the school but we do require parental contributions.
- These may include;
- Seaside trip - approximate cost £4
- Forest visit - approximate cost £4

Medical Tracker

- Record and track first aid incidents
- Record and track medication administration
- When necessary, parents/carers will be notified of first aid incidents by email
- Email notification when medication, for example inhalers, are nearly out of date and need replacing



Our School Website

How do I find out about what my child is learning?

- Pupil pages provide information about they will be learning
- Parent - What is my child learning? Contains long term and half term overviews
- Curriculum pages have a wealth of information and pictures about what your child will be learning in each of the subject areas

The screenshot displays the Mersey Park Primary School website. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for Home, About, Key Information, Pupils, Parents, Safeguarding, and Curriculum. Below the menu is the school's logo and name. The main content area features a section titled "'Be Nice', 'Work Hard' and 'Never Give Up'" with a photo of Mrs Thomas, the Headteacher, and a quote: "Pupils thrive at Mersey Park – their achievements and personal development are outstanding." Below this is a section titled "What is my child learning?" with a "Curriculum Overview" link. A "Curriculum" page is also shown, listing various subjects: Art and Design, Computing & e-Safety, Design and Technology, English, Phonics, Poetry, Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening, SMSC, Mathematics, Music, Physical Education, Religious Education, Science, PSHE, History, Geography, and Spanish.



Because life doesn't
come with a manual

Support for Parents/Carers



If you feel you need support for you or your family:

- Speak to our Home/School Liaison Officer - Mrs Hardy - or any member of staff
- Visit our Social Supermarket - open 2.30pm - 3.30pm Monday and Wednesday
- Take a look at the Family Toolbox which gives a wide range of tips and tools for family life - familytoolbox.co.uk
- My Family Coach also provides expert support for every parenting challenge - myfamilycoach.com

Parent Partnership Group

- Each year group has a number of parents who are members of the Mersey Park Parent Partnership Group. If you have any concerns or enquiries these parents are there to support links between parents and the school so please feel free to approach them and discuss any school related matters.

If you are interested in finding out more about our Parent Partnership Group please speak to Mrs Eccles or Mrs Hardy.