



Welcome to Class 1

I hope that you have had a wonderful summer holiday. I can't wait to hear all the stories that the children will have to share.

This half-term, Class 1 will enjoy many exciting experiences and build on the excellent experiences in class R: We develop early reading skills every day, and expand phonic knowledge and the ability to apply it in early writing, from day one. We will focus on accurate counting up and down to 100 every day, and will concentrate on number formation and number composition to 10, then 20 in depth.

Our whole class book is called 'Enemy pie'. A story about ourselves, our behaviours and a recipe for friendship, in this delightful story.

Reading is the key to all learning at East Ayton and is our biggest priority in learning. We will hear your child read at least once each week; in addition they take part in Guided reading activities each day. Please support your child's reading development by hearing them read at home as often as you possibly can. It doesn't just have to be their school reading book, it can be road signs, food labels, anything that has text! Please send your child's school reading book in their book bag every day. There are weekly prizes for children whose reading records show more than 3 reads at home-of any book.

We will begin PE lessons in week 2 of this term, so please send a fully named kit in as soon as you can. **Please refer to the school webpage for specific uniform requirements.** School book bags are the easiest to carry and store and remember, no toys from home please!

Please also send a **named water bottle** every day and if we should be blessed with more great weather, a **named sun hat and named sun cream.**

I really look forward to working with you and your child/children this year. It promises to be a wonderful adventure, where we will celebrate all of your child's many successes and progress.

I am always available to speak at the end of each day, or by telephone, should you have any questions or concerns.

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