



Welcome to Year 1

Mrs Ahmed (1AA) and Mrs Holman (1EH)

Our website

- <https://rendellps.leics.sch.uk/>
- On the website, you will find most of the information you need.
- Each class page is updated frequently to help share what your child is doing in the classroom.
- Homework can be found on the class page.

Reading

- Research suggests that the more children read the better their writing, vocabulary, general knowledge and general attainment.
- Reading with, or listening to, your child for 5-10 minutes a day benefits them and you.
- For help and tips on how to read with your child, please go to our website here:
 - <https://rendellps.schoolzineplus.co.uk/english-help>
 - Your child will bring home two books each week as well a personalised phonics book. Please can you ensure the books are in your child's bookbag in order for them to be changed weekly.

Phonics in Year 1

- In Year 1, your child will continue to build there prior phonics knowledge using the Read Write Inc (RWI) phonics scheme.
- Phonics is the ability to convert a letter or letter group into sounds that are then blended together into a word.
- Phonics will be taught systematically each day for approximately 25 minutes.
- Spending 5-10 minutes at home recapping previously taught sounds will benefit your child immensely.
- For phonics support please visit our website:
<https://rendellps.schoolzineplus.co.uk/phonics>

Units of learning

Unit 1 – This Is Me

Unit 2 – It's Abit Crafty

Unit 3 – What a Wonderful World
















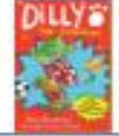
















Unit 4 – God Save the Bee

More information can be found about these units on the class page.

Key events and trips

- Local walk- W/B Monday 2nd October
- Parents' evening – Monday 30th October and Thursday 2nd November
- It's Abit Crafty- Art exhibition- Spring 1 term
- Conkers- Summer 2 term
- Any other events or trips not listed will be communicated through Arbor

Recommended texts for your child

	Not Now, Bernard by David McKee		Grandad's Secret Giant by David Litchfield		Pumpkin Soup by Helen Cooper		The Night Pirates By Peter Harris
	Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett		Man on the Moon by Simon Bartram		Cinnamon by Neil Gaiman		I Can Only Draw Worms by Will Mabbitt
	Anna Hibiscus by Atinuke		Winnie the Witch by Valerie Thomas		Goodnight Everyone by Chris Haughton		Cops and Robbers by Janet & Allen Abibaca
	Eurythmics Janet & Allan Abibaca		That Rabbit Belongs to Emily Brown by Cressida Cowell		Beegu by Alexis Deacon		Dilly the Dinosaur by Tony Bradman
	The Tales of Olga da Polga by Michael Bond		The Puffin Fantastic Book of First Poems by June Crebbin		The Dot by Peter H. Reynolds		Hairy Maclary from Donaldson's Dairy by Lynley Dodd
	The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch by Rhonda & David Armitage		Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman		Owl Babies by Martin Waddell & Patrick Benson		The Emperor of Absurdia by Chris Riddell
	Sophie's Snail by Dick King Smith		Peace at Last by Jill Murphy		There are Cats in this Book by Viviane Schwarz		Mister Magnolia by Quentin Blake
					The Dark by Lemony Snicket		Dinosaurs in the Supermarket by Timothy Korman
					The Proudest Blue by Ibtisam Muhammad		The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsburg

House keeping

- **P.E days** – Please can children come to school in their P.E. kits.
Sensible trainers for sport (no converse or high tops)

1EH: Wednesday and Thursday

1AA: Thursday and Friday

- **Arbor** – this is our main point of communication with parents. Please make sure you are signed up to this to receive weekly communication about your child's learning as well as many other important pieces of information.