

Meet the Teacher

Welcome to Year
1

September 2026



Meet the Year 1 Team

Beech Class Teacher –

Miss Kelly (Monday- Friday)



TAs and
Support staff



Miss
Foran
(Tues-
Thurs)



Miss
Fitzpatrick
(Tues-
Fri)



Mr Jopp
(Mon and Fri)



Miss Walker
(Weds and Thurs
afternoons for PPA
cover)

Cedar Class Teachers –



Ms Keeling
(Weds,
Thurs, Fri)



Miss Davis (Maternity
cover) (Mon and Tues)



Mrs Jones (to return in
spring term)



Meet the Senior Team

Head of School - Mrs Freeman

Executive Headteacher - Ms Roberts

Assistant Head teacher - Miss Walker

EYFS Leader - Mrs Sargeant

KS1 Leader - Miss Gordon

Inclusion (SENCO) - Mrs Parker

If you have a query, it is important you talk to the class teacher or office staff first who will bring it to the attention of the senior team if any further action needs to be taken.

Staff also can be contacted via admin@victoria.herts.sch.uk



Our values
are..

kindness,
resilience,
respect,
thankfulness



Our Values



The Golden Rules



- We always try our best
- We are kind, polite and helpful
- We look after our school
- We are gentle and honest
- We listen to others





Rewards at Victoria for following the Golden Rules



- Merits
- Star of the Week
- Teacher Praise
- Golden Time
- Headteacher's award



Behaviour Ladder

Level	Behaviour	Consequence
1	Calling out in class Arguing back with an adult Being unkind Not caring for other people's belongings and property Running around the school building Shouting in the school building	Warning given - if it happens again move onto Level 2
2	Hurting others - pushing and shoving them Continually repeating Level 1	Reflection time at lunch time Sent to duty teacher Class teacher contact parent
3	Swearing / use of inappropriate language Refusing to follow adult instruction Hurting others - hitting or kicking Threatening others Stealing	If physical at break or lunch - sent to the office/SLT Sent to SLT for a conversation - reflection to take place and an educational consequence - write a letter/ create a poster Parent to be contacted
4	Damaging school property which results in permanent damage Bullying Acting dangerously Repeatedly being physical to others or being extremely physical - punching / biting	Sent to Mrs Freeman or Miss Walker Protective and educational consequence issued Internal or external suspension could be used Mrs Freeman or Miss Walker to contact parents

Timetable

	8.30-8.40	8:40-9:00	9:00 – 9:25	9:25-10:15	10:15-10:30	10:30-10:40	10:40-11:30	11:30-12:00	12:00-1:00	1:00-1:05	1:05-1:25	1:25 – 1:55	1:55- 2:40	2:40-3:00
Mon	Morning activity-Daily readers	Stormbreak	Phonics	Maths/CIL	Break time	Story time /milk	English	Reading	Lunch time	Registration	Worship	History Personal History	PE Invasion Games	Storytime show and tell
Tues	Morn activity-Daily readers	Handwriting	Phonics	Maths/CIL			English	Reading				Computing Technology	CIL	
Wed JK PPA	Morn activity Daily readers	Handwriting	Phonics	Maths/CIL			English	Reading				Music Senses Jess PPA	RE Belonging Jess PPA	
Thurs JK 30 mins PPA SK PPA	Morn activity-Daily readers	Handwriting	Phonics	Maths/CIL			English	Reading				Science Plants Shonah PPA	Art Spirals Shonah PPA	
Fri	Morn activity-Daily readers	Stormbreak	Phonics	Maths/CIL			PE Dance	Reading				PSHE Relationships	CIL and Library	

- Worship has been moved to the afternoon.
- Maths groups–smaller inputs and exploring time.

Phonics and Reading



- Phonics is taught using Little Wandle phonics from Nursery to the end of Year 1. This programme teaches all 44 sounds used in the English language.
- Reading books are in line with phonics levels. Each child will read least twice a week with an adult in a group setting and additional individual time.
- Reading books will be collected in on a **Thursday** and changed every **Friday**. However, please ensure your child's reading book is in their book bag each day.
 - We record reading in school on our Little Wandle record sheet.
 - School reading books are designed to reinforce new and familiar sounds taught.
 - Each week your child will receive one reading book and one library book.
 - Other books can be shared and read at home for pleasure.
- If you find books at home that have not been returned, please ensure they come back to school.

Save the Date

Phonic Workshop for Reception and Year 1 on Tuesday 22nd September at 9:15

Home Learning

Year 1 - Maths home learning activities - Autumn 1

This half term our home learning activities focus on number bonds. Please complete as many of these activities as you can. There is no need to submit any work, we will see you have been practicing from the work in lessons.

1 + 9 = 10 2 + 8 = 10 3 + 7 = 10 4 + 6 = 10 5 + 5 = 10 6 + 4 = 10 7 + 3 = 10 8 + 2 = 10 9 + 1 = 10 10 + 0 = 10 Make hands to show bonds to 10.	Make paper chains using different colours to show patterns.	Make kites and practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.
SUBTRACTION → smash 8-8 10-9 Practise subtracting with number up to 10 (or 20).	Paint a number line rainbow.	Make a bar graph. Then roll a dice and record how many times you roll each number.
Make a number bond cloud, show all the ways to make 10.	Make a ladybird and sort numbers 1-10 or 1-20 into odd and even.	Make a flower, its petals can show different way to make a number within 10.

Home learning - 22/09/23

Home learning is set on a Friday to come back the following Wednesday. There is no expectation that work is completed in the book but if there is any work it will be stamped to acknowledge it.

Previous sounds and tricky words:	ay could, should
Sound and tricky words of the week:	oy would & want
Practise writing:	oy words: boy, toy, joy tricky words: would & want Ensure you are not using capital letters when writing these words. Challenge Can you write sentences containing these words? Remember, capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.

Assessment

Phonics Screening Check

Children in Year 1 throughout the country take part in a phonics screening check during the same week in June.

The phonics screening check is designed to confirm that children have learned phonic decoding and blending skills to an appropriate standard.

Any children who do not reach the expected standard by June will be able to take the screening check again at the end of Year 2.

We assess the children through Little Wandle every half term.



During Year 1

- The children will do a class assembly in late Spring/Summer term.
- We will have school trips later on in the year.
- Themed days focusing on areas of the curriculum.
- We welcome children to bring in books for us to share as a class.
- Child initiated learning/ exploring time: A big focus on slowly transitioning to formal learning.
- Show and Tell



PE

- PE Days are **Monday and Friday**. Earrings are not worn on PE days. Hair longer than shoulder length should be tied up for PE and please ensure your child has the correct PE uniform.

PE uniform – Reception to Year 2

- Navy t-shirt
- Navy/black shorts, joggers or leggings
- Navy/black hoodie or school jumper
- Sensible trainers



Attendance



- If your child is going to be absent, call or email the school office on the first day of illness and each day after
- If the school has not received a message the office will call on the morning the child is absent
- Requests for term time days off will be unauthorised unless an exceptional circumstance
- Where possible book medical/dental appointments out of the school day
- If late, go to the school office to sign in and give your child's lunch order

Being late for school reduces learning time

- *If your child is 5 minutes late everyday they will miss three days of learning each year*
- *If your child is 15 minutes late everyday they will miss 2 weeks of learning each year*

If you are having problems or need to discuss issues that you may have with getting your child to school, please contact the school for advice and support



Free School Meals/Pupil Premium Grant

Your child may be eligible for Free School Meals if you are receiving Universal Credit.

If you think you may be eligible, we strongly encourage you to apply, as this can also help the school access additional funding to support your child.

Complete either the Free School Meal Entitlement Checker Form [offline-fsm-form.pdf](#) and return it to the Victoria School office or apply directly online at [Free school meals and other benefits](#) | [Hertfordshire County Council](#)

Notify parents of injury through automated email and access parent contact information immediately.

A central illustration of a hand touching a smartphone screen. The screen displays a list of items, each with a blue checkmark. Surrounding the phone are various circular icons representing digital communication and technology: speech bubbles, a thumbs up, a plus sign, a location pin, a heart, a checklist, a globe, and a gear. Dotted lines connect the phone to several of these icons, suggesting a network or flow of information.

Useful Information

- Each child has a small, blue Home/School Communication book.
- You can pay for milk for your child if they would like it at snack time.
- Water bottles need to be brought into school every day (water only)
- We promote healthy eating and ask you to be mindful of what you put in your child's lunchbox.
- Ensure food **does not include nuts or traces of nuts, please check all the packaging**
- Cedar- comes in through big brown door. Beech- comes in near the hall. Both go out the brown door.
- Children are not allowed to wear jewellery in school.
- Label everything!
- Prayer bear- to take home every week on Friday and return Thursday for class worship.
- ASC- please make sure to inform class teachers/the office if a child is being picked up instead of attending ASC on a day they usually are booked onto.
- Please let the office know before the end of the day if someone new is picking up your child.
- Inhalers/ medical bits- please make sure they are returned ASAP.



Any further questions?

