



# Year 1 News Friday 12th September 2025

## Notice board:

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all to the start of the Autumn Term in Year 1. The children are settling in well and getting used to their new routines. Please assist us with this by looking at the dinner menu with your child BEFORE they come into school in order to make our register time flow more smoothly! The menu is on our website.

### School Library

The children get to visit the library on a Thursday afternoon. If you are interested in volunteering to help with taking children to the school library please email Mrs Brennan or Mrs Smith or let us know on the door. Thank you.

### P.E. Days – Monday pm; Wednesday pm

Please ensure children have a PE kit in school and everything is labelled. These will be returned at the end of each half term.

### Outside Areas

With our Topic being ‘Enchanted Woodland’ we are going to spend quite some time in the outside area so could you please make sure your child has a suitable labelled coat with them every day and labelled boots have been brought in to keep in a bag on their peg.

### Drinks bottles

Please ensure your child’s water bottle is labelled and that you return it refilled the next day.

## Maths

Next week in Maths we will be exploring patterns and numbers to ten. The children will be focusing on subitising, number patterns, counting and comparing. They will also be exploring ten frames within both the classroom and learning garden.

## English/Topic

The children will continue with their RWI sessions.

In Topic next week the children will be designing, their own fairy gardens where they will label them and get the opportunity to build them in the learning garden.

## Teacher introductions!

Hello!

- My name is Mrs Brennan. I have been a teacher for 22 years, teaching at F&B for 11 years and previously in London for 11 years. I have 2 children called Zach and Amber who keep me very busy outside school. I look forward to teaching Octopus Class this year ☺.

In Octopus Class we will also be helped by Mrs Griffiths

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Hello!

- My name is Mrs Smith. I previously taught for 9 years in London with this being my third year at F&B. I have a 3 year old daughter named Olivia who makes me laugh every day and requests I make up daily stories.

- My name is Mrs Ogle. I have been teaching at F&B for 6 years. I have 2 little girls, Isla is 7 and Ada is 3.

We look forward to teaching Seahorse Class this year ☺.

- In Seahorse Class we will also be helped by Mrs Virdee and Mrs Burton

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## Home Learning

**Talk Task:** Please can you talk to your child about their ideas for a fairy garden. Can they continue the sentence: *In my fairy garden I will have...*

**Topic Words of the Week: Natural material**

**Maths Task:** Please can you help your child to describe what they can see and discuss what is the same and what is different.

Possible responses:

‘There are 7 spots on each block but they don’t look the same.’

‘I can see 6 on two of the blocks and then 1 more.’



What’s the same, what’s different?



**Reading Task:** Please ensure you read with your child every night and record this in their reading records.

**RWI:** Here are the links for ‘Special Friends’ ‘ay’ and ‘ee’

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/1WRcE7mA/xcau7QL6>

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/bzd2UYyf/Y2PCBLvi>