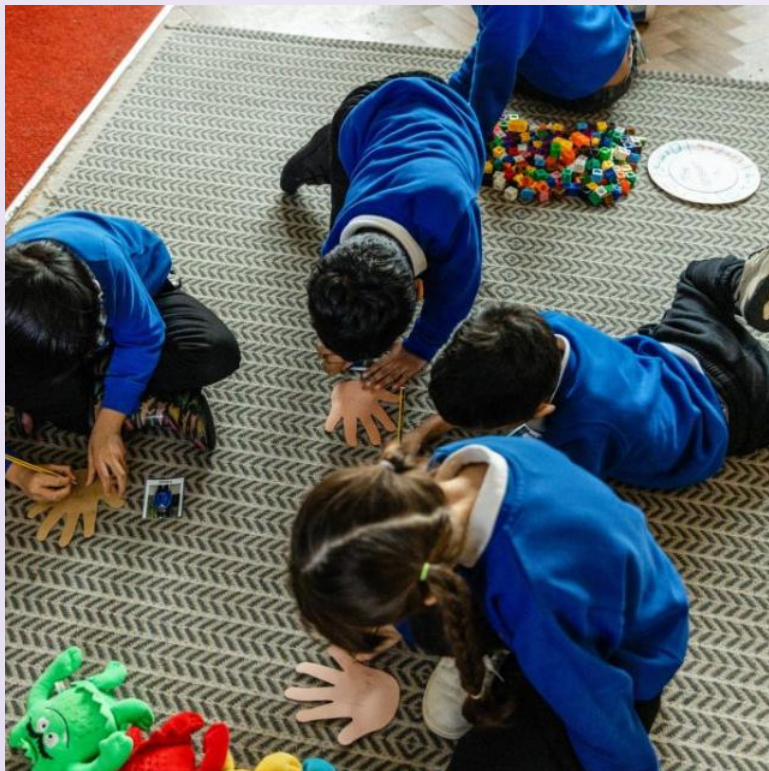




Welcome to Year 1!

Your child's next exciting
adventure starts here.

Our Journey Together

Our Aims

- Easy transition
- Build confidence
- Love learning





What's the Same?

To keep your child feeling safe and happy, we build on familiar settings, rules, and structures:

Morning Routine (Busy Fingers): Fun table activities to do as soon as they put their coat on their own peg!

- **The Monkfield Way:** Our golden school rules and expectations stay exactly the same.
- **Play & Lunchtime:** Still on the KS1 playground or school field with friends.
- **Learning Zones:** Continuous access to reading corners, role play areas, and tuff spots.
- **Rewards & Motivation:** Celebrating success with class Dojos, stickers, and rocket fuel!

New Routines & Learning

Daily Phonics, English and Maths: RWI Phonics, English and Maths learning. We will assess children in during the first half to target teaching for the children's needs.

Topic: Every half term we will have a new exciting topic, alternating between History, Geography, Art and DT. As well as RE, PSHE, PE, Music and Science. Look out for what we will be covering on ClassDojo.



Growing Independence

Independence is our superpower! Help your child practice these skills before starting Year 1:

- Dress themselves, including cardigans and coats.
- Put on shoes and fasten them independently.
- Use a knife and fork
- Open lunch boxes, packets and water bottles.
- Manage personal hygiene (washing hands, wiping noses and flushing the toilet).
- Tidy away and looking after toys and belongings.



Read Every Day

Reading remains one of the most important thing parents can do!

- Use the pictures to tell a story before reading the words
- Build a cosy den and read together inside with a torch for a bedtime adventure
- Go on a "word hunt" around the house or street
- Ask: "How is the character feeling? What happens next?"
- Play games: Look for words, letters or sounds.
- Doing RWI homework

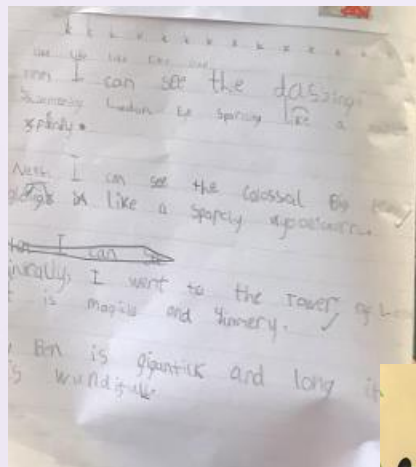


1. Mark Making & Writing

- Keep writing fun by finding creative ways to practice mark making in everyday life.

Playful Ideas Write shopping lists, label drawings, send postcards, or make signs for dens.

Key Focus Areas Form letters correctly, use clear finger spaces, and hear sounds in words.



1. Number Confidence

Build maths confidence during daily routines without using worksheets.



Everyday Maths Count steps, toys, or cars. Spot numbers in the world around you.

Maths Talk Play board games, cook, and measure. Talk about sharing food or number bonds.



Fun Tools for Learning

Try these games to keep your brain buzzing!



Phonics Play -
Practice sounds.

TopMarks Maths -
Number games.

ICT Games - Fun
Maths & Phonics.
www.ictgames.com

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Any Questions?

We are here to help! Please do speak to our Reception or Year 1 team if you have any worries.

Thank you for coming and for supporting your child's journey!

What We Want Every Child to Know

♥ *I am kind.*

♥ *I can try my best.*

♥ *I can ask for help.*

♥ *I can do things independently.*

♥ *I am excited about Year 1.*

