WELCOME TO MRS. TROUT'S YEAR 1

BRITISH SECTION
AFNORTH SCHOOL

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Welcome to Year 1!

I hope you had a wonderful summer. My name is Mrs. Trout and I am thrilled to be teaching your child this year! It’s going to be a fun year filled with lots of learning and new adventures. I’m looking forward to learning about your child at school.

OTHER IMPORTANT STAFF MEMBERS

Mrs. Louisa Evans is our teaching assistant who will be working with us each day.

We have Mrs. Rowles for music, Mr. Rowles for Art and Madame Ginette for PE.

Partner language teachers are:
Madame Rennelle (French)
Mrs. Fleischeur & Mrs. Dols , and Mr. Schmidt (English as a second language)
Mr. Vandebergh (German)

OUR SCHEDULE – *SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Year 1

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
0840 - 0900	Morning Routine – Arrive, put belongings away, choose lunch, change books				
0900 - 0910	Morning Message/Calendar	Morning Message/Calendar	Morning Message/Calendar	Morning Message/Calendar	Morning Message/Calendar
0910 - 9.30	Letters and Sounds	Letters and Sounds	Letters and Sounds	Letters and Sounds	Letters and Sounds
9.30-10.20	Literacy Snack	Maths Snack	Literacy Snack	Maths Snack	Literacy/Maths Snack
10.20 – 10.35	Recess				
10.40 – 11.10	Languages (French/German/EAL)				
11.10-11.30	Story/nursery rhymes/ wash hands for lunch	Story/nursery rhymes/ wash hands for lunch	Story/nursery rhymes/ wash hands for lunch	Story/nursery rhymes/ wash hands for lunch	Story/nursery rhymes/ wash hands for lunch
11.30 – 12.25	Lunch/Recess				
12.30-13.00	Story Time/Carpet Time/Handwriting	EY Garden (Maths)	Story Time/Carpet Time/Handwriting	EY Garden (Maths)	Story Time/Carpet Time/Handwriting
13.00 – 14.00	Forest School (12.30-14.00) Lower Area Snack	Topic Snack & Pack	Topic Snack & Pack	Topic Snack	Golden Time Snack & Pack
14.05–14.20	Recess				
14.25 – 15.10	Reading	Music	Art	Reading	PE
15.15	Busses				

This year we will be busy learning through hands-on activities, discovery lessons, and performance-based tasks based on the UK national curriculum.

The main subject areas are:

-English
-Maths
-Science
-Geography
-History
-Art
-PE
-Design and technology
-Computing

Autumn term 1 – Our Wonderful World

Our first topic is ‘Our Wonderful World’ where we are finding out about ourselves, where we are from, our new friends and also then moving onto the human body and the five senses.

The children are encouraged to bring in a family photo to display in our classroom too.

LETTERS AND SOUNDS

- All children will participate in phonics sessions daily, revising the phonemes already encountered in Reception and learning different ways we can read and write the sounds.
- Pure pronunciation of the sounds is really important for blending.
- Their reading books are linked to their phonics level
- Phonics Screening Check Assessment at the end of Year One

School supplies

We supply all books, stationery and resources for the classrooms.

Label EVERYTHING!

Lunch choices will be taken upon the children's arrival and delivered during our lunch break. Please see the weekly menu on the Afnorth website for the choices.

- Water bottle, lunch and snacks (2 snack times a day)
- Indoor running shoes that can be used in the gym and around the school
- A clean mask each day for when we are walking through the school and a spare incase it gets dirty
- A change of clothing that is labeled to keep at school

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BUSES

Every morning an adult will meet your child at their bus and walk them to the classroom. This will also occur at the end of the school day. The children have their bus cards attached to their backpacks which are scanned by the bus escorts.

Parent Pickup

Please inform the British office as well as myself if your child will not be going home on the bus on a certain day.

Parents collecting their child at the gate: must bring ID and wear a mask to enter the pick up zone by the entrance.

SEESAW

This year we will be using the Seesaw which provides a safe and creative way for your child to document their learning while practicing digital learning skills in a moderated environment. It is also a great way for us to communicate with you. Each child will have their own journal to which they will add photos, videos, drawings, and notes to showcase their learning in authentic ways.

If your child is absent or is being picked up at the gate instead of going on the bus, please let us know on Seesaw but ALSO please email the British office.

FOREST SCHOOL

We will be participating in weekly forest school sessions in the wooded area located behind the Afnorth track.

Forest school is a child-centered inspirational learning process, that offers opportunities for holistic growth through regular sessions. It supports play, exploration and supported risk taking.

Please ensure your child has waterproof clothing and waterproof boots to keep in their cubby.

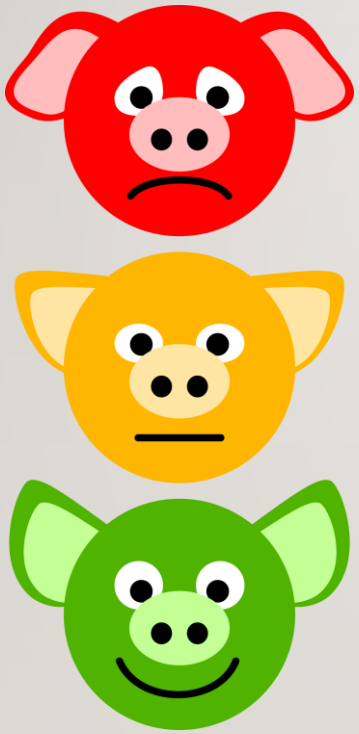
Reading at home

Each child now has a reading book and many of you have been reading together at home already. Please record in their green book when they read at home. Those who are new to English are encouraged to listen to the stories and use it as an opportunity to learn new words.

We will read with the children regularly in school,
they can choose a new book each morning
if they have finished their book.

Your child also has their first library book, we will be having a library session on every other Thursday, staring on September 10th. The Librarian is planning to come to us with a selection of books for the children to choose from as well as to read the children a story.

Behaviour Expectations

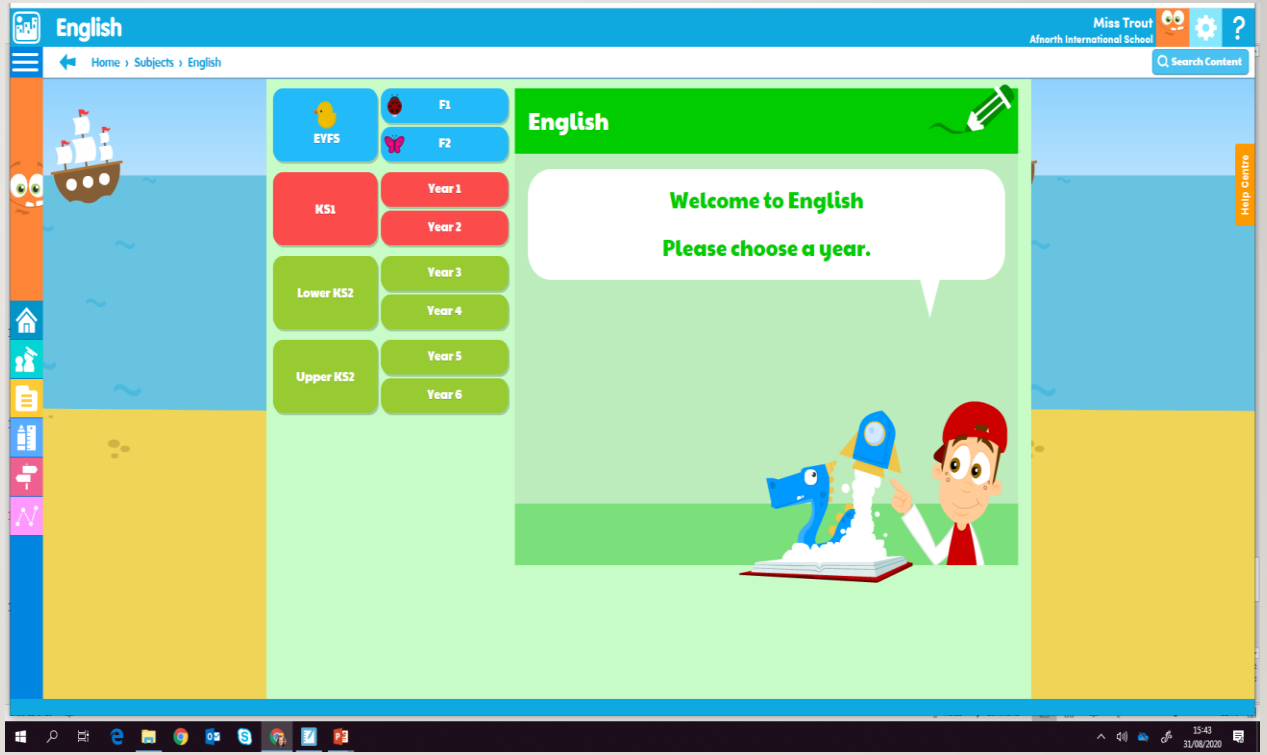


- We use a green, amber, red warning system.
- Good learning behaviours are rewarded at the end of the week with golden time and daily with afternoon recess
- Good learning behaviour; sitting on the carpet, listening, being kind to each other, looking after our school resources, raising our hands to speak on the carpet etc

Online Resources at Home

Education City

- English
- Maths
- Science

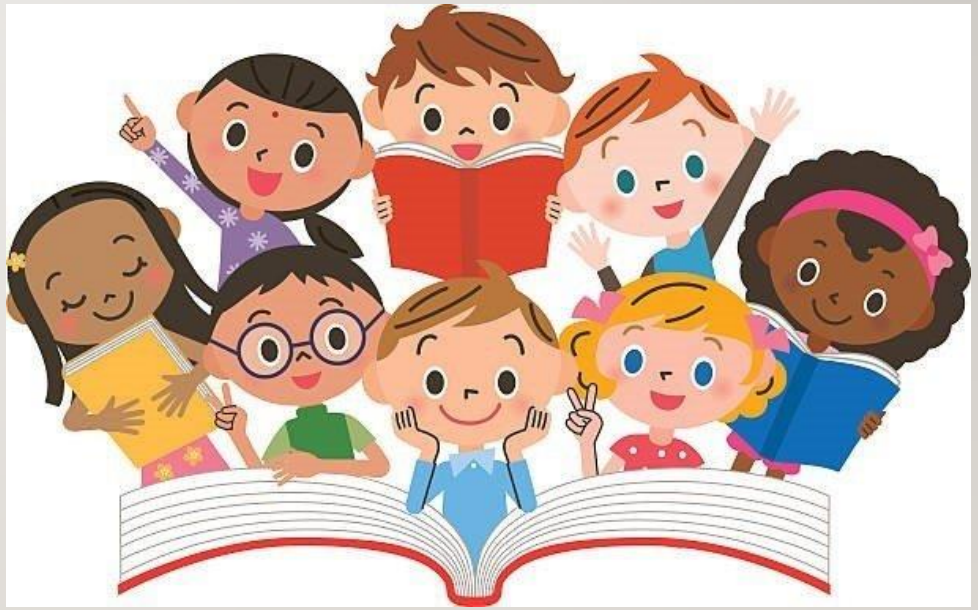


Phonicsplay.co.uk

More information will follow in the upcoming weeks

HOW CAN YOU HELP AT HOME?

- Play and Talk!
- Stories and visiting the library
- Cooking and Shopping
- Read, Read, Read, Read!
- Games-turn taking
- Fostering independence – shoes, zips etc



Absences

Please continue to contact the British Office by phone or email to inform them when your child will be late or absent by 9am.
british.office@afnorth-is.com

Please don’t hesitate to send me a message on Seesaw if you have any questions or concerns.