

### PE and Forest School

This half term, PE days are Tuesday and Friday. On these days your child should come to school wearing their Lever House PE kit. Forest School will be on a Thursday. Your child should come to school in their school uniform as their forest school kit will be left in school. In their forest school kit your child will need named wellies, a waterproof coat and pants or tracksuit bottoms. Please ensure that all earrings are removed before school on these days.

### Messages

Please ensure that all school uniform is labelled with your child's name and that they know where their name is.

### Home Learning

Home learning for Cedar Class consists of daily reading, spelling practise, mental arithmetic practise and at least one home learning activity linked to our theme in class.

Home learning books should be brought into school every Friday and your child will have the opportunity to share their home learning with their friends and the adults in class.

Should you have any questions, queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me via my email address: [kjohnson@leverhouse.net](mailto:kjohnson@leverhouse.net).

I am looking forward to a successful term working with the children.

Kind regards,

Miss Johnson



# Cedar Class

## Information Booklet

Year 1

Autumn 1



Miss Johnson

## Welcome to Cedar Class

I hope you have had a lovely summer spending time with family and friends. I am looking forward to hearing all about it. I am excited to welcome the children into Cedar Class whilst getting to know them and having fun with our learning.

## History

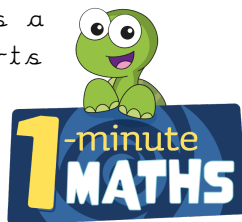
This half term I am excited to start our new history topic which is all about the life of Florence Nightingale. We will be learning about her role as a nurse in the past and how she changed the hospital in Scutari as well as hospitals today.

Key vocabulary: chronological order, disease, hygiene, injured, medicine, soldier, unhygienic.

## Maths

This half term we will be learning about place value. Y1 children will be securing their knowledge of numbers within 10. The children will be continuing to use lots of practical equipment to secure this knowledge. We will then move on to learning about addition and subtraction. We will continue to work on our number formation, number bonds and strategies to support our reasoning and problem solving skills.

The 1-minute White Rose Maths app is a fantastic resource which supports learning in mathematics. This can be downloaded, for free from your app store.



## English

Our first English unit is a fiction unit based on stories with a repetitive pattern. Our learning will be based on the story of 'The Enormous Turnip'. We will be talking about the main characters, looking at verbs and using conjunctions. We will also use action to help us to learn the story. This will help us when, in a few weeks time, we write our very own stories.

## Reading

Reading is an important aspect of children's education. I am looking forward to sharing books with the children and listening to them read. The children's school reading books are changed each Monday and Thursday. In order to change reading books, we require the reading diary to have a written comment from an adult. We encourage the children to read the book 2 or 3 times across the week to build up the necessary fluency skills. Being able to retrieve information from the text is extremely important for us, as readers. To help develop your child's retrieval skills, please use the question prompts below:

What did ... do?

Where did ... live?

When did ... happen?

What happened to ...?

What was ... wearing?

What happened when ...?



## Science

Science learning this half term will look closely at how we grow and stay healthy. We will be looking at how we change from a baby to a teenager to an adult, what we need to survive and how to keep ourselves fit and healthy.

Key vocabulary: balanced diet, carbohydrates, hygiene, protein.