

# Welcome



## Loughton Manor

## First School

## Year One

## Hello!

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Year One. This booklet will tell you all about the people who will look after you and the exciting things we do. You will get to know lots of grown-ups at school, but these people will be your special grown ups in Year One.

### LIONS' GROWN UPS



Mrs Chanalaris  
Teacher



Mrs Smith  
HLTA



Mrs Wills  
TA

### GIRAFFES' GROWN UPS



Mrs Bunton  
Teacher



Mrs Gale  
Teacher



Mrs Johnston  
Trainee Teacher



Mrs Wright

### Helping In School

We love welcoming parents into school to help but haven't been able to do this for a little while due to the impact of Coronavirus. We are hoping that we will soon be able to welcome grown ups back into school to help with various activities. If your grown up would like to help, we will be looking for people to help with the library once a week. We also sometimes ask for helpers when we have special events at school. Maybe your parent would like to listen to some children read, or help us with filing. In the spring term, we might be on the lookout for parents to help with costumes for the Year One Performance!

### School Uniform

We now use an online school uniform provider. Please use the following website and search for Loughton Manor First School: [www.uniformcity.co.uk](http://www.uniformcity.co.uk) Alternatively, we do have second hand uniform available to buy at school. We will be continuing to sell water bottles at school.

We cannot wait to see you all and welcome you to Year One!



## Helping At Home

Your parents can help you with your learning at home by practising your reading every day for 5-10 minutes. Always remind them to write in your reading diary so we can see how you are getting on. It is also really important for them to read you a bedtime story. In school, you will also go the library every week and will be able to choose a book for your parents to read with you.



Later in the year you will have spellings every week to practise at home, which are linked to the phonic sounds you will be learning alongside the common exception words for Year One. You can also practise writing in other ways, for example maybe write a letter to your grandparents, have a go at writing invitations or cards, or help your grown ups by writing their shopping list for them.

You could practise counting and adding numbers when you are in the bath or whilst walking to school. Perhaps try looking for numbers in the supermarket or when you are out and about.

Other things you could do at home are cooking, dressing yourself, playing with playdough, or helping when you go to the supermarket.



## OTHER GROWN UPS IN YEAR ONE



Mrs Jaffer  
HLTA



Mrs Colyer  
Playworker



Mrs Dimmock  
SEN TA



Mr Rodwell  
SEN TA



Mrs Gallimore  
SEN TA



Mrs Chapman  
SEN TA



Mrs Patil  
SEN TA

### Entrance and exits before and after school

Our arrangements for coming into school in the mornings and for being collected at home time have been changed during this time of Coronavirus and, due to the success of this, we have decided to keep the same process in place.

All Year One children will be coming into school through the gate by the wooded area (the opposite gate to the one used in Foundation Stage). Giraffes should arrive between 8.30am and 8.40am and Lions should arrive between 8.40am and 8.50am. Children should be left at the gate to walk into school independently, although a member of the Year One staff will be there each morning to pass on messages to the class teacher if needed.

Children from Giraffes class should be picked up from school at 2.50pm, with children from Lions class being picked up at 3pm. This will be from the same gate you go through in the morning.

You will have a special peg with your name on in your cloakroom where you can hang your coat. If you have a packed lunch, you will be able to put this on the rack above your peg.

### What you need to bring in to school

You will need a **named** PE kit in a drawstring bag (Please no back packs as we do not have the space to store these). You will need shorts, a t-shirt and plimsolls or trainers. In the colder months, please also bring tracksuit bottoms and a hoodie or jumper. Any colour will do, but we just ask for sensible clothes and shoes please! It is important that if you have long hair it is tied up on PE days. Also, if you wear earrings, please either remove them on PE days, or bring ear tape which you will need to be able to put on and taken off by yourself. It might be better for your adult at home to put this on before school on PE days and then can be taken off at home afterwards. The adults in school won't be able to help you with this unfortunately.

You can bring a piece of fruit or vegetables for a mid-morning snack. Please no processed fruits such as Winders or YoYos. Thank you. This will need to be in a named container or bag. If you would like milk, this will need to be ordered via Cool Milk.



Please also bring a named water bottle into school each day— with plain (no fizzy or fruity water) water only please.



We would also like all children to have a pair of named wellies in school for any outside activities we do; especially when it gets a little muddy! These can be stored in the cloakroom by your peg.

### What you will be learning

To begin with, your learning will feel very similar to how it was in Zebras and Tigers. In the mornings, you will be able to choose from lots of lovely activities, both inside and outside. Sometimes the grown ups will ask you to work with them to do some English or Maths activities, and you will do phonics too. In the afternoons, you will do PE, Art, Design Technology, Science, Geography, History, PSICHE, RE, Music and Computing activities.

Every week your teachers will work together to plan exciting activities for you to do. They will send a Parentmail to your grown ups each week, so that your grown ups know what you are learning about.



### Trips

We have not booked any trips yet, but we really hope that we will be able to soon. Some of the trips we have done in Year One have been: visiting the church, going to Milton Keynes Museum and going to Whipsnade Zoo. We have also had visits from The Toymaker who teaches us about toys from the past and we also have a Victorian school day which is really exciting!

