

Dear Parents

We are pleased to welcome you and your child back to Class 1. We hope you had a good break. This letter is intended to recap some of the class routines and tell you about any new ones. We hope you find it useful.

### **Adults working in Class 1**

Mrs Whitehead will continue to work on Monday and Tuesday each week whilst Miss Wilde will be in school Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. We are supported everyday by Mrs Evans and Mrs Case. They also cover Wednesday afternoons and wherever possible, to ensure continuity, they will also cover the class if either teacher is absent due to a course or meeting.

### **Link Book**

Please continue to use the existing Link Book. As usual, your child should place this in the Link Book box on their way into the classroom. Please remember to request book changes in the Link Book and NOT the Reading Diary.

### **Reading Record**

Please continue to use the existing Reading Record. It would be helpful if you could record all reading carried out at home. Books should be read with fluency, i.e. both accuracy AND speed before being changed. The diary should be kept in the plastic wallet we supplied, along with your child's reading book and any sounds/keywords.

### **Outdoor Learning**

If you haven't already done so, please send in a cheap pair of wellies and some spare socks that can be kept in school permanently. If they could be held together with a named clothes peg, that would be very helpful.

### **PE**

PE will be on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. Please send in PE kit on Monday morning and we will return it on Friday. If you could also pop in a spare pair of pants, these can be used in the event of any 'accidents.'

### **Morning Snack**

In Class 1 we will continue to receive free fruit and milk under the Government scheme so you do not need to send in a morning snack. Please also remember to send in your child's filled water bottle each day. These will be kept on their table throughout the day and can be refilled as necessary.

### **Spelling Tests**

As a school, we are using a new spelling system from September and your child is not required to learn lists of spellings as has been the case historically. Instead, we will incorporate spelling into our daily phonics lesson. We will be sharing with you the spellings we are concentrating on, not for your child to learn, but so you can look out for them during your day-to-day activities.

**Finally**, can you please name everything so that we can ensure lost items are reunited with the correct person!

If you have any queries, do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards

Helen Whitehead and Nadine Wilde