

# Welcome to Class 2!



## Dear Parents,

We hope you have had a lovely time over the summer and we are sure you are now ready to start the new school year, so welcome to Year 1!

We are looking forward to getting to know you and working together so that we have a very exciting and productive year. We hope that you enjoy the new challenges and approaches to learning that Year 1 has to offer!

## **Transition from Reception to Year 1**

Our aim is to ensure that the children experience a smooth transition from the Foundation Stage to Key Stage One. The Year 1 curriculum builds upon and extends the experiences that children have had in Reception. Learning through play will continue to be an important part of the school day, and the children will gradually be eased into more formal learning as the year goes on so that they remain motivated, enthused and eager learners.

Our Teaching Assistant this year will be Ms Mclean.

Mrs Greenwood, Mrs Ollerenshaw and Ms Mclean

#### Reading in Year 1...

Your child will be given a book and a reading diary to bring home and read. They will need to keep their reading diary and books in their book bags to bring to school every day. Please read regularly with your child.

Reading books will be sent home by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September

#### Autumn term.

The first 3 weeks will be a settling in period learning how to use the classroom and follow the golden rules. We will be using the story Don't be Silly Billy. For the remainder of the half term we will us the story "On Sudden Hill" By Benji Davies, to base our learning around.

Maths topics include place value and addition and subtraction.







### **General Reminders...**

- The children will be doing **PE** on **Mondays (indoors)** and **Thursdays (outdoors)**. Please ensure your child wears their PE kit to school on these days. They will need to wear jogging bottoms and a school sweatshirt over their PE kit and trainers please. Velcro shoes are always a big help as little fingers find laces very hard to tie! Please remove any earrings your child may be wearing on PE days. Their first PE lesson will be on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September.
- Please provide your child with their own water bottle to keep in class, which they can access throughout the day. Please make sure your child's name is written clearly on their water bottle.
- If you send a snack for your child, please make sure it is healthy: Fresh vegetables, dried fruit, hard cheese, cream crackers and plain breadsticks are allowed. Please label all snacks.
- Please provide your child with a pair of wellies that they can wear at school and a warm waterproof coat for the colder weather as we will be doing lots of outdoor learning this year.