**Welcome to Year 1**

We are so excited about the year ahead! Please see below some information about Y1.

The school day will start **promptly at 8:45am**.

Your child will miss important learning if they arrive after this time.

**Reading Books**

Your child will be assigned **one e-book** each week. This is the book they have read in school that week, which they should read fluently, or with very little support. In addition to this, they will also bring home **two phonics books** each **Monday**. This will begin on **Monday 9th September**. Please can you ensure these books are returned on a **Monday**, ready to be changed.

We will monitor the children’s reading with a traffic light system. 0-2 reads per week is RED, 3-4 reads per week is AMBER and 5+ reads is GREEN.

We cannot stress enough the importance of reading daily- even 5 minutes each day makes a huge difference to your child’s fluency.

**Homework** (homework will begin **Friday 13th September**)

Homework will be handed out on a **Friday**. Please return it on a **Monday**.

**PE**

This half term, PE will take place on a **Friday**. Your child should come to school wearing their PE kit on this day (trainers or pumps must be worn for safety). If it is cold or wet, jogging bottoms or leggings may be worn. Our first lesson will be **Friday 6th September**.

**Snack & Water**

A fresh piece of fruit will be available each day, although your child is welcome to bring a piece of fruit/**healthy** snack from home if they wish. We encourage all children to bring in a bottle filled with water each day, with their name on (no juice please).

**Home Time Arrangements**

A polite reminder that a member of the Year 1 team or the office must be informed, if there is a change of adult collecting your child. Please be aware that we will not be able to release your child unless this has been pre-arranged.

**Birthdays**

We are happy to accept and hand out treats for your child’s birthday, however, **please can we ask that you** **do not bring in unsliced cakes**, as there is not time in the busy school day to cut it up. Cupcakes are most welcome.

If you have any questions, please speak to your child’s class teacher- 1C Mrs Clifford, 1P Miss Power.