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Dear Parents & Carers

Welcome back to school and a big happy HELLO! to our 16 new starters in Reception. It is a long time since we were able to have everyone back in school and we are delighted to return to teaching full classes.

We realise that many children have not been in a classroom for several months and most children are going to be uncertain about what to expect. Some will be nervous about returning to school and we will do our utmost to reassure everyone and have happy classrooms. Our priority for the first few weeks is to build confidence and help children to feel secure and comfortable in school.

The teachers have talked at length about the curriculum we are able to provide and we have planned our delivery very carefully. Our intention is that the children will find the planned work very easy and they will be able to accomplish tasks confidently.

During the first few weeks teachers will assess each child carefully to ensure that future work is pitched at the correct level to develop their learning smoothly. So initially there will be no homework set and no reading books sent home. This will allow a period of adjustment for the children too which will reinforce the gentle return to school.

If the Reception children have waterproof clothing which still fits them it will be very useful to have it in school. We hope to make maximum use of our newly renovated outdoor play area and as we know the weather can be unpredictable.

Finally, thank you for your patience this morning as I welcomed you back to school. I hope you managed a satisfactory farewell. Rest assured that if your child is not settling happily into the classroom we will let you know and discuss strategies to build their confidence. As I write this, I have just walked around both classes at 9.30am, and I can reassure you that all children are busy and settled with no tears at all.

As always, if you need a chat about anything at all, please let me know.
Geoff Wharton



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