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Dear parent,

Welcome back to a new school year. I hope you have had an enjoyable summer. The class displays and shared areas look amazing, and the children have settled in quickly to their new classes. They all seem eager and ready for the challenge of their new year group.

Last year was a really successful time for school. In Key Stage One the children achieved some of the highest phonics scores so far, whilst 74% of the children achieved Age Related Expectations in each of Reading, Writing and Maths at the end of Key Stage Two.

This year is a very exciting time as we are developing our termly focus on a class book/novel that links in to the topic for the term. It would be great if you could discuss the novel with your child as well as any learning/work that relates to it, as the book and term progresses.

Over this week the children will be creating a class contract as they agree their rights and responsibilities for the year; they will be considering and finding out their monitor jobs that they will be responsible for; the children will have the opportunity to put themselves forward for the school council; and they will be going over age related aspects of being safe and keeping healthy.

As the children work towards achieving their age related expectations in their new year group, your support with phonics/spellings practice; number counts/times-tables learning and, of course, daily reading will be absolutely invaluable. Thank you for helping your child practice their summer spellings challenge words over the break as the children will be tested on these over the upcoming weeks.

As ever your support is highly valued as we all work, learn and grow together over the course of this new school year.

Kind regards,

Mr Catherall

