



Kea Community Primary School

6th September 2019

Dear Year 1 Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year1. We hope the children have had a lovely summer holiday and are ready for their new school year.

Year 1 is an exciting year as the children begin a happy and confident approach to their learning with a good understanding of their school routine. We help them enter this new Key Stage by continuing with some of the routines they had in the Foundation Class. During this year, the children will learn to become more independent and resilient learners.

In literacy, the children will continue to follow the RWInc phonics scheme as well as having plenty of opportunities to read and write in groups and individually every day. Trained volunteers listen to the children read every week and we are always keen to welcome parents in to hear readers during the last part of the day. Please let us know if you are able to help.

Maths will be taught through the "Mastery" approach, with an emphasis on practical application and sound mastery of mathematical concepts. Please visit the Year 1 website page for the half termly Maths Overview which will provide lots of ideas to help support your child with their maths at home.

In Year 1 we launch a new topic every half term through which the children study History, Geography, RE, Art, DT, Music and Computing. Science will be taught through an investigative and exploratory approach, usually on a Monday afternoon. PE will be taught by Mr Cotterill on Tuesday afternoon and myself one other afternoon. Mrs Stone will teach Computing on Tuesday afternoons.

Please ensure your child brings in a named PE kit and plimsolls.

This term we will be learning about "Houses and Homes". We will be using a range of historical sources to learn about how houses were different in the Victorian times. We will visit Lanhydrock House which is a fine example of a wealthy Victorian House. We will keep you posted with more details. The topic overview gives more details about our learning this term and this can be found on the Year 1 website page.

We are really looking forward to getting to know our new Year 1 children, parents and carers. If you have any queries about the information you have received so far, please don't hesitate to ask.

Thank you,

Mrs Rebecca Olive and the Year1 team- Mrs Addey and Mrs Averde