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Dear Parents/Carers,





We have planned two Induction days for the Pre-schoolers and Parents / Carers to attend in preparation for your children going into P1 in August. The first day will be **Tuesday 11th May** from 9.00-10.00am. The second date will be **Wednesday 19th May** from 10.45-12noon. <u>Please note that we can only accommodate 1 parent per child due to COVID regulations.</u>

On the first day, while your children are in their new classroom, you are invited to join the other parents/carers in the hall where Miss Lee will be delivering a presentation covering a range of essential information including school routines, uniform and the P1 curriculum. There will be an opportunity for you to ask questions and we will provide you with useful handouts. After the information session, you will then be able to join your child and participate in a fun activity with their class.

On the second Induction day, Mrs Thomson (Primary 1 Class Teacher) will provide you with some practical advice on how to support your child with Literacy and Numeracy in the early stages of P1. As part of this session she will share with you the resources that they will be using and provide materials for you to support your child in preparation for moving into P1. Following this session you will be able to join your child in their new P1 class and meet Mrs Mair (Primary 1 Class Teacher). Primary 1 will be taught by both Mrs Mair and Mrs Thomson.

You are invited to attend both meetings where you will receive all the key information about the P1 curriculum and the school systems as well as being able to have a look at the resources that your child will be using. As part of the second session on Wednesday 19th May, you will have the opportunity to bring your child along for lunch at 11.30am which allows you to sample the lunches and share the dining hall experience.

The transition programme for the pre-school children is ongoing throughout this term, with opportunities to work alongside the current P1 children as well. In preparation for starting P1 in August, the children will meet their P6 Buddy on Wednesday 26th May as part of the Teddy Bears' picnic. Their Buddy will support them in the playground and lunch hall during the first few weeks to help them to settle into the new routines.

As part of your child's transition programme they will be joining P1 in the playground, between Monday 21st and Friday 25th June. The children will be given the opportunity to play games with the other children, practise lining up on the bell and generally become familiar with the routines, prior to starting in August.

You will be emailed a link tomorrow for you to confirm your attendance and to let us know if you and your child will be having lunch on **Wednesday 19th May** and your lunch choices.

Yours sincerely

Louise Morrison
Head Teacher