Dear Parents,

Welcome to Foundation at the start of your child's St.Andrew's C of E Primary School journey. We are all looking forward to the year ahead.

Please could we ask you to fill in and return your Foundation Passport if you have not done so already as it helps us to get to know your child better.

Please make sure any school uniform is named - it can be so difficult matching 30 jumpers to their owners when they are all the same size and colour!

Each child should bring to school a named, water bottle each day and we recommend that you purchase a blue book bag from the office to transport reading books, letters etc.

For phonics we will initially spend time developing our listening and speaking skills. Our school follows the Letters and Sounds scheme order so our first sounds will be s, a, t and p. At school we will encourage the children to tell you about each new sound and sheets will be sent home for you to complete to further their confidence. Our school website has information about phonics and reading. Later in the term the children will be bringing home two books a week and these will be changed on a weekly basis. We do encourage the children to reread books twice to develop fluency, comprehension and confidence. Please sign in the comment section once you have read with your child.

We will be having our PE session on Tuesday so please send your children into school dressed in their St.Andrew's School PE kit, white T-shirt and navy shorts, on this day, this will start on Tuesday the 21st of September.

Could we also ask you to provide spare, named underwear and clothing for your child in their book bag so they can be changed if they have an accident.

Please inform us if someone different is collecting your child from school, we record this so all members of staff are aware.

The children will bring home a lunch selection slip on a Friday which needs to be completed and returned to school on Monday morning. The lunch choices can be found on the school website. If you send your child to school with a packed lunch we recommend a healthy lunch and we operate a no nuts policy at school due to allergies.

If your child requires any medication or has any illnesses, allergies or food intolerances please speak with us and we will ask you to complete a medication form.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to talk to any of the Foundation Team, we are greatly looking forward to the year ahead. Best wishes,

The Foundation Team, Mrs Wills, Mrs Jackson and Mrs Linzell