

Dear Parents and carers

Welcome to Year 1. We hope that you have had a fantastic summer and made some happy memories despite such changeable weather. It has been great to hear from your children about some of your thrilling adventures. We are excited about getting to know your children throughout this year so please let us know of anything they do well so we can celebrate together.

Mrs Oliver and Mrs Tamblyn, we will be teaching your children throughout Year 1. Mrs Haywood and our new Teaching Assistant, Miss Coath make up the Year 1 team who will be supporting the children with their learning.

Our theme this term is 'From Land's End to John O'Groats' so take time to talk about places you have visited in the UK. The children will be thinking about what it means to be British. In Science we will be looking at materials and buildings. A curriculum poster is attached to the back of this letter with more information.

A few things to note:

PE: PE days are Wednesday and Friday. Children will bring PE kits into school and leave them here until the end of term.

Dinners: Your child will be choosing their own dinners this year. Please look on the school website and discuss the options with your child. Please let us know of any allergies and specific requirements.

Homework: This will come home on a Friday and should be returned on Wednesday. Homework will reflect what the children are learning that week. Later in the term we will be sending home children's logins for Mathletics and Spelling Shed. Both are great resources to support your child's learning and allow us to monitor your child's progress.

Reading: Your child will be bringing home reading books each week. Please try and read daily with your child. We want all children to develop a love for reading so continue to share other books and support your child in reading words in their own environment.

Label: Please ensure that all clothes or items they bring in are labelled with their name.

Website: Please check out our class page on the school website. This will keep you up to date with their learning and is a great source of information.

If you do have a question or need to contact us then email the school at: admin@st-andrews.plymouth.sch.uk or speak to one of the Year 1 team.

We are very excited for the year ahead and look forward to seeing your child flourish.

Your sincerely

Mrs Oliver, Mrs Tamblyn, Mrs Haywood and Miss Coath