

Beaver Road Primary School

Monday 6th September 2010

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back to the start of a new school year at Beaver Road. We are very much looking forward to working with you and your children in Year 1.

We would like to introduce ourselves and give you some information about your child's first week in Year 1.

Who we are

1L - Mrs Miranda Long (Teacher) and Mrs Ann Kirkham (Teaching Assistant)

This is Mrs Long's fourth year at Beaver Road. She is an experienced Teacher who has previously taught both Nursery and Reception ages. Mrs Kirkham has worked at Beaver Road for seven years in both Reception and Year 1. Mrs Long and Mrs Kirkham are both looking forward to getting to know their new class and working with you this year.

1M - Miss Laura McDonald (Teacher) and Miss Dee Panchal (Teaching Assistant)

This is Miss McDonald's third year of teaching. She has previously taught in Wales and Cheshire. She is really looking forward to getting to know her Year 1 class and parents. Miss Panchal has worked at Beaver Road for four years. She is a very experienced Nursery Nurse and really loved working in Year 1 last year.

1T - Miss Julie-Anne Taggart (Teacher) and Miss Kate Wood (Teaching Assistant)

Miss Taggart is an experienced Teacher who has previously taught Nursery, Reception and Year 1. This is Miss Wood's second year at Beaver Road. She had previously worked with Nursery, Year 1 and Year 2 children. Both Miss Taggart and Miss Wood are looking forward to working with the year 1 children and their parents.

This week

We shall be beginning curriculum learning this week but our main focus will be on helping your child have a smooth transition from Reception to Year 1 and getting to know him/her. This shall be ongoing throughout this half term or for as long as your child needs. Our curriculum newsletter shall be available from next Monday which will detail what your child will be doing for the rest of this term.

Snack

Your child shall continue to receive a snack each morning (e.g. toast, crumpets) at the cost of 50 pence per week and we ask all parents/carers to contribute £7 for the full Autumn Term. A free fresh fruit snack shall be available to your child every afternoon. Please can you also provide your child with a named see through water bottle to be kept in school so that s/he can have a drink of water throughout the day.

Dropping off and picking up

The Year 1 entrance shall be opened at 8.50am by the Year 1 Teaching Assistants who will be ready to greet you each morning and take any messages that you wish to pass onto your child's Class Teacher. Should you wish to speak with your child's Class Teacher, you are welcome to do so at the end of the day.

School finishes at 3.20pm. When collecting your child, please be patient as we get to know all of your faces. It will be extremely helpful to us for you to come forward when you see your child at the door and let us know that you are here.

Please feel free to approach any member of the Year 1 Team with any questions that you may have. We hope that you and your child have a great experience to the start of this new term.

Best wishes

The Year 1 Team