

## September 2022 Term 1- Year 1/2

### Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you and your child have adjusted well to the first term of Year 1 or 2. This year promises to be another one filled with exciting learning opportunities and we look forward to working with you to ensure your child has an excellent experience. We have new routines to adjust to and some super learning planned around our foundation subject based curriculum.

#### PE

Please could children remember to have their PE kits in school every day as PE days will differ.

Just a reminder our school PE kit is black joggers or shorts, a plain t-shirt of their school team colour (earth - green, fire-red, wind-yellow, water - blue) and their Paxcroft school jumper or the Paxcroft school hoodie.

We would also appreciate it if your child could bring a bottle of water into the classroom to drink during the day. Please ensure it is **water** only and is in a **named** bottle with a sports type cap.

#### Planning non -contact time

Every week the teachers have planning non-contact time. Over the year your children will be taught by Miss Shaw and their teaching assistant.

Woodpecker - Tuesday morning

Kingfisher - Wednesday morning

Nightingale - Thursday morning

#### PACT Folders / Homework

You can help your child by listening to them read regularly and by ensuring they can read and spell the Year 1 or 2 Common Exception words. We encourage regular use of the Mathletics website on computer or tablet (A login will be sent home in the next few weeks). You could also visit the library to look at books to extend your child's learning. We will soon start to send home fortnightly Sounds-Write homework on a Monday which is based on your child's learning the previous week. This will need to be returned completed on the following Friday. We will also start to send home the Dandelion 'Sounds-Write' books for most of the children as we have been doing all term. It is very important that the children read these at least 3 times a week at home as they need to be fluent before moving on. We really appreciate your support with this. These books are more important than the book banded books so please prioritise these to read if you only have time for one.

We look forward to working with you during the forthcoming term.

Yours thankfully

Year 1 / 2 team.