



4<sup>th</sup> February, 2009

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am happy to report that all students in 1/2 S have settled in very well to the new School year. We have been working very hard in class and the children have been producing some wonderful work. Our unit this term is called "Water the Wonder thing".

*A Christian School  
with vibrant learning,  
building character  
with integrity  
through service*

### General Matters

#### Homework

Homework is sent home each Monday. Year 1 students will receive a homework sheet which is due back each Friday. Students in Year 2 will receive a Homework Contract book and they should complete one contract each week (This is two pages). I will go over what they are to do in class. However if there is something that your child is finding too difficult please note this in their diary.

#### Spelling

Children will be given a list of up to ten spelling words to learn each week. A practice sheet will be sent home for them to write their list on. The strategy of Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check should be encouraged.

#### Reading

Please read with your child as often as you can manage it. Even if your child is not part of the classroom home reading program regular reading to or with an adult or older sibling is extremely beneficial.

If your child wishes to do extra homework such as writing sentences using their spelling words or writing a story I will be happy to receive such work.

#### Library

Library lessons will be held each Wednesday with Mrs. Allchin. Please encourage your child to borrow regularly and to bring in their library bag each Wednesday.

#### Sport

Sport will be held on Fridays. Fitness sessions will occur several times a week and we ask students to wear their sports uniform on Mondays as well as Fridays.

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### Music

Music lessons will be taught this year by Mrs. Atkinson. These lessons will be on Thursday each week.

### Classroom Helpers

Yes I'd love to have you!!! Thank you to the parents who have expressed an interest in helping out in the classroom. We will be having Reading Groups and Maths Groups each day. You could be asked to work with a small group or to listen to individual children read. Please fill in the slip at the bottom of the page if you would like to come in. All visitors to the school are required to sign in at the office as a visitor before entering the classroom.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns about your child. I trust that we will enjoy a happy year of learning together.

Yours sincerely



Mrs. Simon  
Class Teacher

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### 1/2 S Classroom Helper

I am able to be a Classroom helper on Monday ( ) Tuesday ( )

Wednesday ( ) Thursday ( ) Friday ( )

I am able to come each week ( ) or casually ( )

I would like to help during Maths Groups ( ) and/or Reading Groups ( )

Parent/Carer \_\_\_\_\_

I will put a message in student diaries to confirm times.