



23<sup>rd</sup> June 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

As we are in the final half-term of the school year (where did that time go?!) our thoughts turn to preparing our Reception children for Year 1.

There are a number of measures which we will be putting in place to help prepare the children for their move to a new class. These will take place gradually over the next few weeks and are as follows:

- Year 1 teachers will be visiting the Reception unit and will spend some time with the children playing, interacting and generally getting to know them.
- Reception children will visit the year 1 classrooms with an adult to see the Year 1 children at work.
- Reception children will have the opportunity to spend a session, as a whole class, with their new class teacher in their new classroom.
- In Reception we will be reading stories and discussing our feelings about change and 'moving on' within Jigsaw. We will discuss new routines and also how the children can welcome our new Reception intake.
- During literacy, we will help the children to write a letter about themselves to their new teacher.
- Reception staff will liaise with year 1 staff to pass on important medical and special needs information, as well as about their characteristics of learning.
- Photographs of the Year 1 classrooms/shared spaces will be sent home in a booklet for you to discuss with your child over the Summer holidays.

However, if you do feel your child has any specific concerns or anxieties, please let us know so that we can make this transition as smooth as possible. Any thoughts about the above can be messaged to us via email or Seesaw or by coming to see us at the end of the school day.

Many thanks for your continued support and we look forward to a special last few weeks with your children,

Julie Jewell

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