

# Reception Class Newsletter

4<sup>th</sup> July 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Transition week** has been successful as we begin thinking about the move to Year 1 in September. The Year 1 staff have been calling into class when they can and the children have spent time both in the Year 1 classrooms and the Year 1 playground.

The children wrote letters to their Year 1 teachers telling them how they are feeling alongside any questions they had. Most children said they were feeling excited, some a little nervous and just one said a little scared. (One child asked did they have stories in Year 1 another asked about lego and a train set!!) After the visit to the classroom the feelings around anxiety did change. Staff said it was okay to feel a little nervous and a bit shy as it was going to be all new but each time we visit hopefully the worries will disappear.

The children noticed there were more tables in the classroom but there was also a cosy book area and lots of "play" resources still, similar to Reception class.

A member of the Reception team from each Reception class will be moving up to Year 1 with the cohort to support transition. The children's familiarity in Mrs Bell's class with Mrs (Gothami) Paranagama (the children call her Mrs "Gottami") and Mrs Johnson from Mrs Riley's class will help the children to settle quickly into the new routines Year 1 will bring.

The children have also attended Praise Assembly with Year 1 and Year 2 which takes place in the school hall. The children sat amazingly well and Mrs Lovell and the Year 1 and 2 teachers were very impressed. Definitely Year 1 ready they said!! Badges and certificates were given out for attendance. For those with 100% attendance by the end of the Summer term these will be given out before school ends for the summer holidays.

Reception Staff