

Dear Class One Parents,

A big welcome to Class One! We are looking forward to getting to know you and your children and settling them into a happy start to school life at Landscope.

The children will be taught by Mrs Woods on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday; and by Mrs Barons on a Thursday and Friday. The children (and teachers) will be supported by Mrs Kearle on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday; and by Miss Raymont on a Monday and Friday.

Our Drop Off and Pick Up Routine

As in Mrs Ryder's letter, Class One children will be dropped off at the front gate between 8.45 and 8.55 where they will be greeted by their teacher. They will then go into class and begin their day with some settling in morning activities.

We encourage swift goodbyes as this really helps the children to settle into their new routine. Once in the classroom, the children will be able to give you a wave through the 'Waving Window'.

At home time, we will bring the children out to you at the front gate. A quick reminder that Week 1 we finish at 12noon, Week 2 we finish at 1.30pm and from the 20th September we finish at 3.25pm.

Water Bottles, Book Bags and Coats

Please send your child into school with a labelled bottle of water every day. The children are able to refill their bottles throughout the day and we will remind children to drink at regular intervals.

Milk is provided (funded by the government) at snack time until they reach the age of 5, thereafter it can be paid for. We provide the fruit for the daily morning snack.

We ask that bookbags and coats are brought into school each day. On sunny days please ensure sunscreen is applied before school and that your child has a sun hat to wear.



PE and Outdoor Explorers

Every Wednesday Class One will have PE with Mr Tanner. We ask that the children come into school wearing their PE kits on this day. Please send in their school uniform in a bag to change into afterwards.



On Thursday afternoons, the children will have Outdoor Explorers – starting Thursday 23 September. As with PE, we ask that they come into school (and go home) in their Outdoor Explorers clothes and shoe/trainers. They will need to wear comfortable, practical and durable clothing – t-shirt, full length tracksuit bottoms and a hoodie/sweatshirt are ideal. In the winter, they will need more layers! They will also need **full waterproofs and wellies** to put on when we go outside. We ask that, if possible, your child's wellies and waterproofs remain in school, so they can be used on wet days enabling the

children to still get outside at breaktimes and for outdoor continuous provision in the Early years.

Please name all of you child's school uniform, PE kit and Outdoor Explorers clothing.

Show and Tell

Each day a group of children will have the opportunity for a 'Show and Tell'. This is where your child can share something interesting with the class. It may be a special item or something they have done recently. Instead of bringing items into school, we ask that you upload your child's 'Show and Tell' to Tapestry as a photo or a video. The children will then use the large class whiteboard to present their 'Show and Tell' and answer questions – the children always enjoy 'being the teacher' at this time! You will receive a letter shortly informing you of your child's 'Show and Tell' day.

Reading Meeting

We will be sending out details of our upcoming meeting about reading. This will be an opportunity for us to share with you how we teach reading at Landscope and how you can best support your child with this. Once we have taught a few weeks of phonics, the children will begin to bring reading books home to share with you.

Topics

We will begin this half term with the topic 'On the Farm', moving onto 'Autumn and Colour and Change' in the second half of term. Please visit Class One's page on the school website to see our 'Topic Web' which details the areas of learning that we will be covering this term.



Tapestry and Keeping in Touch

As well as using Tapestry for 'Show and Tell', please don't forget you can use Tapestry to share your child's achievements at home – we love to see what they have been doing! We request you regularly check Tapestry for posts and messages from us and, likewise, please feel free to pop any messages for us on there too.

You can also email messages to the school office (adminlandscove@thelink.academy) where they will then be forwarded to us, or simply catch us at drop off and pick up. We understand starting school is a big step for children and parents alike, so please don't hesitate in speaking to us or asking us any questions that you may have.

We look forward to supporting your child through their Reception year and making many happy memories along the way!

Many thanks,

Jo Woods, Becky Barons, Natasha Kearle and Amy Raymont.