Dear Class One Parents,

A big welcome to Class One! We are looking forward to settling your child into school life and hope that these next few weeks ensure a happy start at Landscove.

**Morning routine**~ Please bring your child to the classroom, through the front entrance of the school, where there will be a number of settling in activities set up to help ensure a smooth start to the day. Swift goodbyes really help the children to settle into their new routines!

**Topic Learning** ~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 the school website for more details.

**Reading Meeting** ~We mentioned there would be a meeting to go through how we teach reading and what you can do at home to support us in this. This will include a brief chat about number work too. The date for this will be **Wednesday 11th September** at 12:40 finishing in time to collect your child after lunch. We hope you can join us for this.

PE/Outdoor Explorers~ Once the children are in fulltime, PE sessions will be on Mondays and Thursdays. On Thursdays, they will be taught by Mr Tanner, our specialist PE teacher. This session will be in the morning. Outdoor Explorers will be in the afternoon. For ease, on Thursdays the children can come to school (and go home) in their Outdoor Explorers clothes. The clothes for this need to be comfortable, practical and durable~ t-shirt, tracksuit bottoms and a hoodie/sweatshirt. In the winter, they will need more layers! They will need full waterproofs and wellies for when we go outside! This can be stored on their pegs in a bag. Please name all of your child's belongings! Please also ensure that your child's PE kit is in school (in a draw string bag) all week as sometimes we change the day we are doing things.

Water bottles/Snacks~ Just a reminder, these need to be named and in school everyday! The children are able to refill them at the water cooler themselves. We ensure that the children are encouraged to drink at regular intervals throughout the day. Again, as previously mentioned, milk is provided (funded by the government) at snack time until they reach the age of 5. Thereafter it can be paid for. Fruit is provided daily, so there is no need to bring in extra snacks.

**Tapestry~** If you haven't already, please fill in the permission slip for this (you received it at the welcome meeting) and return it to Mrs Colwill in the office. We can then get all accounts set up. This should be up and running within the first couple of weeks!

Do please feel free to pop in if you are unsure of anything and need a chat.

Alternatively, if you are unable to call in, send an email to the office where it will be forwarded to us. Even if it seems like a small thing~ we know that starting school can be daunting for parents as well as children!

Kind regards,

Lucy Field and Jo Woods