Welcome to Primary 1a.

We would like to give you a brief overview of our learning this term.

Literacy

This term we will begin to recognise, form and say commonly used sounds. We will learn the letter name, the sound it makes and to identify the lower and upper case shape. Once we have learned our first few sounds, we will apply this knowledge to help us read some exciting new stories.

We will also learn to read some common words which will help us with reading and writing. Word games, puzzles, flashcards and word boxes will help reinforce this new vocabulary. Following the initial teaching of phonics and reading, children will be involved in both written work and practical activities, often working collaboratively, in pairs or small groups. We will also enjoy whole class Big Book reading lessons.

Our imaginative and functional writing this term will be:

- Working on sequence and structure using First, Next, Then, Last.
- Developing a story with Who? What?, Why?
- Giving a simple explanation.

Numeracy and Maths

We will be learning to copy, continue and describe simple patterns. We will also create our own patterns.

We will learn to:

- Count 0 to 10 and 10 to 0.
- Recognize symbols for numbers to 10.
- Recognize number names to 10.
- Match symbol with quantity to 10.
- Sequence number symbols to 10.
- Identify number before and number after to 10.
- Understand and use the terms First, Second and Third.
- Begin to learn the concept of addition.
- Classify 2D shape by simple properties and sort, recognize and name squares, rectangles, triangles and circles.
- Identify and name 3D shapes cubes, cuboids, cones, cylinders and sphere.
- Use and understand the vocabulary day, night, morning, afternoon, before, after.
- Use and understand days of the week in the appropriate sequence.

Our topics this Term are:

- Rights Respecting School.
- People Who Help us in School

In Health we are learning to use our Class Charter to help make our class a safe and happy place to work. We will be learning about careful hand washing, road safety, internet safety and stranger danger throughout the term.

In Science this term, we will be learning about Forces and Senses.

Our RME focus will be on Joseph and dreams. We will also learn about Harvest and Christmas.

Our P.E focus areas are Fitness, Ball Skills and Dance. P.E days are Tuesday and Thursday.

Our Expressive Arts skills will be developed through our topic work with a focus on collage and drawing in Art, rhythm and performance in Music and adopting a role in Drama.