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Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome to the start of a brand-new school year. We are all looking forward to getting back into a routine and starting all of our new topics with great enthusiasm.

Key Stage 1 Staff

- The class teachers in Year 1 are Miss Barry and Miss Linger.
- The class teachers in Year 2 are Miss Finn and Miss Rush.
- The children across Key Stage 1 are supported by Mrs Akhtar, Miss Begum, Mrs Brook, Mrs Hill, Miss Ilyas and Mr Travis.

Key Stage 1 School Day

- Each morning, our classroom doors will open at **8:40am** and close for registration at **8.45am**.
- Our learning time begins promptly at 8.45am, so please ensure your children arrive on time.
- The school day finishes at **3:15pm** and the children will be ready to be collected from their classroom doors. All children must be collected by a known adult and the child must indicate to the member of staff on the door, where their adult is before they can be released.

What your child needs

Please ensure that your child brings the following items to school each day

- A named water bottle
- A named coat or jacket
- A named book bag
- Please make sure that your child has a complete (named) PE kit in school at all times which consists of black/blue shorts, a white t-shirt and PE pumps. This PE kit can remain in school and will be sent home at the end of each half term.
- Milk and fruit will be provided for Year 1 and 2 children free of charge, however your child can bring a healthy snack into school for break time if they wish.
- Year 2 children need a one-piece swimming costume or swimming trunks with netting and a towel in a bag. Children with long hair must have it tied up and away from their face. Children may choose to wear a swimming hat. No earrings are permitted and must be removed before school, every Wednesday.

PE and Swimming

Year 1 - PE is on Monday

Year 2 - Swimming is on Wednesday beginning **Wednesday 13th September**

PE is on Friday

Year 1

Our first topic is called Ourselves. We are looking at the story of Goldilocks and Three Bears and also Funnybones. We will develop our writing skills to write simple, independent sentences. We will become geographers as we study the countries of the UK, we will be scientists investigating the human body and our five senses and we will be artists creating self-portraits using our observational skills. In Maths we are learning about place value, addition and subtraction and developing our fluency in Mastery Maths.

Year 2

Our first topic is called, Take Off Around the World. Each week we will travel around the world exploring a different continent and the surrounding oceans. We will develop our writing skills using full stops, fingers spaces, capital letters and coordinating conjunctions. We will be developing our writing across all of the curriculum subject areas as we journey around the world, we will become artists as we design and make African inspired prints and historians as we find out about the lives of Dr Martin Luther King Jr, Captain Scott and Felicity Aston. In Maths we are learning about place value, addition and subtraction and developing our fluency in Mastery Maths.

Homework

Children in Years 1 and 2 must read with an adult at home, as often as possible. This is fundamental to ensuring your child leaves Key Stage 1 reading fluently and with good comprehension skills. Your child's home reading will begin from Friday 22nd September, where they will bring home a folder with their;

- Reading book which your child will have read in OTTER during the week. Therefore, you will be able to celebrate their success at reading their book independently.
- Library book which your child will have chosen themselves and is a book to be shared and can read by an adult to promote reading for pleasure.
- Every time you read with your child, please date and sign their reading record. In return, your child will receive a reading ticket to be entered into a prize draw.
- Phonics Record with sounds and words to practise, that your child has learnt in phonics that week.

It is essential that all books and records are returned every Friday to allow them to be changed and used in school the following week.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns about your child, please speak to your child's class teacher. Telephone or email the school office info@roytonhall-pri.oldham.sch.uk and we will respond as soon as possible.

Thank you for your support,

The Key Stage One Team