

### Welcome to Joy Class!

Welcome back after the summer holidays, I hope you all had a wonderful break. I am looking forward to getting to know you all over the next few weeks. We have a 'meet the teacher' meeting on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 2.45pm - 3.15pm**. We will be discussing what Year 1 looks like and what the expectations will be for home.

Please feel free to come with any questions that you would like answered. It would be lovely to see many of you there.

This term, our topic is The Great Fire of London! We will be looking at the history of the fire, how London is different now and in Science, we will be looking at light and thinking about how tricky it must have been to live without electricity! In Literacy, we are focusing on writing full sentences that include capital letters, full stops and finger spaces! Phonics will continue to be taught daily. Guided reading will be taught twice a week.

In Maths, we are going to be revising our numbers to 10, our number bonds to 10 and single digit addition and subtraction. We will hopefully be beginning to do all of this up to 20 as well. Later in the term, we will be thinking about shape, money and time.

We would really appreciate if you can read with your child three times a week at home. At the 'meet the teacher' session, I will be explaining how we would like you to guide your child's reading to help them as much as possible this year.

This year, your child will be sent home with a home learning task and some spellings each week. Please ensure that these are both done as they are aimed to help your child's learning in school. Home learning will come home on a Friday and is due on a Wednesday. Spellings will come home on a Monday after the children's weekly test. I'm looking forward to a fantastic year!

Many thanks, Mrs Elson

### Things to remember...

	Activity	We will need....
Monday	Mrs Elson teaching	Reading records to be checked and books changed Spelling books to be handed in and sent home with new spellings. PE kits needed - trainers
Tuesday	Mrs Elson teaching	PE kits needed – trainers
Wednesday	Mrs Elson teaching in the morning, Mrs Kelsey teaching in the afternoon.	Home learning books/home learning handed in
Thursday	Mrs Elson teaching	
Friday	Mrs Elson teaching Show and tell – please see rota.	Home learning will come home

Please ensure that:

- Your child's PE kit is in school every day in case of timetable changes.
- Your child's book bag is in school every day. The children will be heard read during group reading and individually throughout the week.
- Your child brings a healthy snack to school for afternoon playtime.
- Your child has a water bottle in school at all times.