Welcome to Year 1

– RESPECT – RESPONSIBILITY – RELATIONSHIPS – RESILIENCE –

The Y1 Team:

Mrs Hudson (Class teacher, Angletarn)
Mrs Foster (Class teacher, Whinlatter)
Mrs Broomby (Teaching Assistant)

Some lessons will be taught by:
Mrs Osborne (PPA teacher)

Homework in Y1:

We recognise the importance of family life in a child's wellbeing and development. Homework should fit around family routines, not replace them.
We have one main request during your child's time in Y1 – ENCOURAGE THEIR READING!

- Please encourage your child to read their school reading book to an adult 4 times per week.
- Please read books at bedtime as much as possible. This will significantly impact on your child's ability to read and write independently.

Key texts we will study in Literacy this year:

These are the books we will use to inspire our writing learning this year. We encourage you to borrow these from the local library and enjoy them at home when they are being studied too.

The Colour Monster by Anna Llenas
Lost in the Toy Museum by David Lucas
Leaf Man by Lois Elhert
Dr Ranj-A Superhero Like You by Ranj Singh
The Gingerbread Man by Alan Macdonald
Jonty Gentoo by Julia Donaldson
Jack and the Beanstalk by Mara Alperin
Chapatti Moon by Pippa Goodhart
Castles by Maggi Freeman
Paddington by Michael Bond
Mad about Dinosaurs by Giles Andreae

PE Timetable:

Pupils in Y1 will have PE on Tuesday (am) and Wednesday (pm). They should come to school in their correct PE kit and trainers on these days.

Class Dojo:

Y1 staff will use Class Dojo to communicate key messages or important reminders with you. These will appear in the 'chat' section of Dojo. We hope this will help parents and carers keep informed about what is happening in school.

Topics we will cover:

Our planned curriculum is broad, balanced and planned to spark interests and curiosity in your children. Here is a brief overview of the topics we will cover this year:

Term:	Topics:
Autumn	Toys in the Past Everyday materials Local Geography Structures Painting Fitness & Fundamentals, Team building & gymnastics
Spring	Scott of the Antarctic Plants Arctic vs Kendal Mechanisms Sculpture Dance, fitness, throwing & catching
Summer	Castles Animals & Humans Contrasting localities Cooking & Nutrition Drawing Yoga, gymnastics, fielding, athletics

Other important reminders:

School day timings:

"Be at the door by 8:54"

- School opens from 8:45am for staggered entry. Registers are taken promptly at 8:55am.
- Any child arriving after 8:55am is late and will need to enter school via the main school office.

The school day ends at 3:15pm.

Family involvement in school life:

We are delighted if parents/grandparents would like to help and be involved in classroom activities. If you are able to offer your time, please see your child's class teacher.

School uniform:

Please label all clothing with your child's name. We have dozens of items of unnamed uniform lost each month across school.
Our agreed school uniform can be found on our school website: Heron Hill Primary School - Uniform

To promote recycling and re-using uniform, Friends of Heron Hill manage a pre-loved uniform swap. Items are free but you can choose to make a small donation (which goes towards funding school visits and special events for our pupils). FOHH holds a termly uniform stall but you can also request items by emailing admin@heronhill.cumbria.sch.uk If we have uniform items in stock, we will be delighted to pass them on. If you have uniform items which are in good condition but too small for your child, please donate them to the uniform swap.

Reports and parents' evenings:

There are 2 compulsory parent consultation evenings: one in October, another in March. Written reports are issued in July and reflect your child's achievements for the whole year. An optional parent consultation is offered after reports, if required.

Snacks:

All year groups have a morning break each day. The children in Year 1 are provided with fruit from the Free Fruit for Schools scheme and this gives them a little energy boost until lunchtime.
If you would like your child to have milk please speak to the office.

Water bottles:

All pupils need a named water bottle in school every day. This must not contain juice or squash and should contain water only. Pupils will be encouraged to stay hydrated through the school day as this is good for their brain health and concentration.

Lunchtime:

Our catering provider TNS provide a high-quality range of hot school meals daily for the price of £3.25 per meal. The latest menu is visible on the SCOPay platform which is also where you can place orders.

The government's Universal Free School Meal programme automatically provides a FREE meal to ALL pupils in Reception, Y1 and Y2.

If preferred, a packed lunch can be provided by home. This must contain a balanced meal and not include large quantities of high-sugar products. Nuts and peanuts are not permitted in school under any circumstances. Please check lunchbox items to ensure they do not contain nuts/peanuts.