

13th September 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Kilmorie. Year 1 has got off to a flying start with us all getting to know each other. We have spent time deciding on those all important school and classroom rules we all need to keep us happy throughout the year. This term our topic is called **5,4,3,2,1, Blast Off!** and is a history based topic. We will be learning about the first people in Space, the Moon Landing and last year's space exploration by the famous British Astronaut Tim Peake.

You will have noticed our amazing outside area. This year we will be expanding our use of the outdoors to enhance our learning. Because we will be setting up our outside classroom every morning, we would like to remind you not to enter until the bell has rung at 8.55am and do not come in at collection time until 3.25 pm. Many thanks to everyone for their cooperation.

On **Wednesday 21st September at 9.15am and 6.15pm** we will be having our Year 1 Curriculum Meeting. Come along to find out about our exciting curriculum, teaching and learning approaches and how this supports your child's wellbeing and development. You will also have the opportunity to ask questions and find out about how you can help your child with their learning at home. Please return the attached slip to let us know which session you are attending.

Our learning

In **Literacy** we will be reading **Beegu, Aliens love Underpants** and **Man on the Moon** as well as other space-based stories. In **Maths** we are focusing on number, ordering and ensuring all our children are confident with their number bonds to five and ten. We also aim for all children to be secure with reading and writing numerals from 0 to 20.

As always **reading** and **writing** are very important, so please read with your children every day and try to encourage them to write about things that interest them e.g. letters, postcards, shopping lists, stories etc. By the end of next week, all our children will be issued with a new **Reading Record Book** which we will use to maintain a weekly dialogue between school and the parents to boost your child's reading progress throughout the year. If your child has mislaid their book bag please let the office know and they will issue your child with a new one.

Please note that our indoor **PE** time will be on **Wednesday**. Our outdoor PE time will be on **Friday**. Please ensure that your child brings their **PE kit** to school on these days.

PE kit: Comfortable, well fitting trainers or pumps, shorts and a t-shirt for indoor PE. Leggings/tracksuit bottoms and a t-shirt for outdoor PE. A sweatshirt will be needed for when it gets cooler.

We are really looking forward to all of the learning opportunities to come. We can't wait to get busy creating some amazing work this term. Here's to some happy Yr 1 learning!

If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to ask. We are always pleased to help and answer your queries. It is easier to speak after school but if urgent please see us immediately.

Best wishes,

**Ashleigh
Butterfly Class**



Year 1 Curriculum Meeting

21st September 2016

Please circle as appropriate:

I/We would like to attend the morning Year 1 curriculum meeting at 9.15am.

I/We would like to attend the evening Year 1 curriculum meeting at 6.15 pm.

Name of child:

Class: