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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you have all had an enjoyable and relaxing summer and are fully refreshed for the start of a new school year. This term is undoubtedly going to be a time of transition for the children as they settle back into school and routine. We will endeavour to make this as smooth and calm as possible and welcome them into their new classroom.

We are mindful that the transition from Reception to Year 1 can be a challenge for some children and this year could bring additional. However, we want to reassure you that we are continuing with many exciting and challenging play-based learning opportunities both in and out of the classroom for the children.

Our enquiry will be focused on exploring the question 'Who is the Magic Toymaker?'. As you can see from our enquiry web we have lots of exciting learning we are ready to get started with. Here's to an exciting first term of the new school year!

Reminders

Please ensure that your child always brings a labelled **water bottle** to school and that their school uniform is labelled. They will need a pair of wellies with them as we will be making regular visits to the schools forest/pond area. These can be kept in school all term. Please also ensure that children remember to keep their correct, labelled **PE kit** (house colour T-shirt, dark shorts or tracksuit bottoms, socks, trainers or daps) in school for the whole week. Children wishing to be excused from PE will need a note from home.

Reading

As a class, we will visit the library regularly during the week. Normally we allow children in Year 1 to change their books as frequently, however due to the need for books being quarantined before being sent out again, we will be limiting to changing the books once a week. Please also continue to listen to you child read and read to them selection of different genres at home (minimum 4 times a week). Please record reading in their reading records when they come home.

Homework

This will be set termly now they are in year 1. When this comes home, you will see that the children have a choice of three tasks to complete. They only need to complete one of these and we will share their homework as a class at the end of each term.

Communication

During this time we ask that you contact us by phone, email or ClassDojo where possible. We are here to help your children become the best independent and confident learners that they can be so please do not hesitate to ask any questions, no matter how small!

If you would like to contact via email please send to: yr123@redoaks.org.uk

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