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Dear Parent / Carer

Welcome back to a hot and sunny new school year! We hope you enjoyed your summer break, whatever you may have been up to.

This term, not only do we welcome newcomers into Maple Class but we also welcome Mr Hill! We are really excited for the year ahead and cannot wait to get started!

### Term 1 Topics

In Term 1 for English, we will be exploring the book "The Jolly Postman" where we will be thinking about letter writing, communication and this will include many opportunities for exciting activities such as role play. In Maths, our topic is number and place value where we will be learning about numbers up to 100 and how to represent them in a variety of ways. Our Geography topic is all about "our local area" which ties in nicely with our Jolly Postman book! We will be having an opportunity to explore the local area as a class. During our science lesson we will be looking at a variety of different animals and how to group them into different categories.

### Items from home

This is just a note to say that children are not required to bring in their own pencil cases as we have all of the equipment that they will need for the school day. Also, please can we ask that your precious toys stay safely at home because we cannot always guarantee that they will not get lost or damaged at school and this will, understandably, cause upset if it were to happen. We really appreciate your support on this matter.

### Spellings and homework

In year 1 and 2 we will have a weekly spelling test on a Friday. The children will receive their spellings for the term and we ask that they are practised weekly. The children will receive a spellings practice book to use at their leisure and can stay at home for the term, we just ask that you bring them back in the last week of term so that the new spellings can be put in for



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the next term. The children will receive a homework menu in a homework book at the beginning of each term and I love to see what they produce so please hand in homework books in a week before the end of term. Finally, levelled reading books will be changed on a Monday and a Thursday so long as the children have put them into the 'yellow drawer' (they are reminded of this : ) ).

Thank you so much for all of your support with the above and please do not hesitate to contact any of the Maple Class team if there is anything you would like to discuss further, it is very much an "open door" policy!

From Miss Sanders, Mr Hill, Mrs Gamble and Mrs Hopkins



