Dear families, Welcome to Year 1 Cove!

Staff - I am Ms Powell (Ms P), the class teacher for Cove Class. Teaching assistant support will be provided by Mrs Bristow, Mrs Sexton and Miss Whittle.

Forest School is still on a Tuesday, but will be fortnightly and will be led by Mr McCarty (waterproofs and wellies for the weather please), and P.E is led by Mr Westhorpe and myself.

Early morning routine – We collect the children from the playground at 8:25am and register them by 8:30am on the carpet. As we settle in to our routines, early morning work will take place in the form of phonics, mindfulness and curriculum linked activities.

Fruit and drinks – We will provide a piece of fruit or a healthy snack for morning break time. Each child will need to bring in a *named* water bottle to drink throughout the day. Water bottles will be easily accessible in the class room and the children are given lots of opportunities to have a drink throughout the day.

Lunchboxes – These will be stored together in the classroom. *Please remember we are a nut free school* and operate a **Healthy Lunchbox** policy.

End of the day routine - The day ends for the children at 3:00pm and you can collect your child from the Reception gate.

Uniform – Please label your child's uniform and P.E kit clearly and ensure they have appropriate clothing for our changeable weather. We will be outside rain or shine!

P.E. – Our PE lessons will ordinarily take place on Monday and Tuesday mornings, but for this half term we have a specialist dance teacher in for the children on a Friday afternoon. On these days, children should attend school in their P.E. kits with appropriate clothing for our forest school sessions (Tuesdays). Please could all children be provided with jogging bottoms as P.E. will continue even in colder weather.

Reading – Each child has been given a reading record so that any reading done at home or school can be logged. Even 5 minutes at home each day makes a huge difference. These books are levelled and are mainly for home reading. We have a fantastic library here, as well as many lovely books in our classroom for children to enjoy. Please make sure the reading book returns to school every day!

Class Dojo – This is how we will give you any important information and how you can keep in touch with us if you have any concerns or wish to celebrate something your child has done. Emergency or information requiring an immediate response must be emailed/phone through to the main office.

I look forward to an exciting year with both your children and yourselves!

Ms P and the Year One Team.