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Dear Parent/Carers of Reception Class

**Transition to Year 1 - changes to routine for Reception children from Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019**

From Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April (the beginning of next term - Term 5) there will be a change to our morning routine at the start of the day. Instead of bringing your child into the classroom in the morning, the children will be met on the playground from **8.35am** by the class teacher. Once the whistle has gone at **8:45am** the class teacher will then bring the children up into the classroom, where the children will put their own things away, water bottle, book bag and coat. Year 1 and 2 will be changing to their summer routine and doing this also.

We would ask you please to note that this time is not a playtime and children are not to run around or climb on equipment. We expect them to stay with their parent/carers. When it is 8:45am, we will line up at the bottom of the steps going into Class R.

This is the beginning of our preparation for the transition into Year 1. Young children are very adaptable if prepared for change, so please talk to your child to prepare them for this next step of independence. Encourage your child in the mornings to remember all the things they have to do once they are in school and please do praise them for being so grown-up. We will still be available for any handover notes that you may have in the morning.

Another change for the children will be at lunchtime when the children will be supported to share their playtime after lunch on the big playground. This has always been a positive time for the children in Reception as they are able to play with siblings and friends from Year 1 and Year 2. The children will have met the playleaders and lunchtime staff and will continue to be supported by the Year 6 buddies.

Please do share this change for next term with your child at home. If you have any questions regarding this please call in to class to speak to us.

We thank you in advance for your support.

**The Early Years Team**

