Welcome to Year 1

Welcome to the new school year for 2016. The Year 1 team had their first meeting and began confirming our programs and organisation for this term. The Year 1 classrooms are located on the Western side of the school adjacent to the artificial grassed area. Our team will be busy ensuring the students feel comfortable and confident. Until further details about specific class programs and routines are communicated, this newsletter may answer some of your questions.

An executive member of staff, Deborah Deratz, leads the team of six Year 1 classes:

- 1LF – Mrs Lauren Fraser
- 1AR – Miss Ashlee-Kate Rohowicz
- 1JJ – Mrs Jenny Scott and Mrs Jill Matthews
- 1CC – Mrs Cathy Chard
- 1EK – Miss Ellen Kafkis
- 1/2EJ – Emily Jefferys

- The children will be lining up outside their classroom before school and after lunch, and under the Western shelter after recess.
- Students are only permitted to use the play equipment when supervised by a member of staff.
- Any medication that a child needs to take at school must be taken to the office in the morning with a note regarding dosage. This medicine will be kept and administered in the office, at the appropriate time. Please inform class teachers about medication arrangements. Any health problems need to be discussed with the class teacher ASAP.
- Students who arrive late for school must be taken to the office by a parent/guardian and signed in. Students are to give their late slip to their class teacher.
- All personal equipment and clothing including shoes, socks, hats, jumpers, shirts etc must be labelled. If a student is not wearing the new Newport sun-safe, broad-brimmed hat, which is part of the school uniform, he/she will be asked to remain in a designated shaded area.
- The children need a raincoat in their bags at all times. Even in wet weather we visit areas of the school such as the canteen, toilets, hall, library and computer room. Students are not permitted to use umbrellas at school.
- For your child, please send a clean spare sock which will be used as an individual whiteboard eraser.
- Class routines and expectations will be outlined at the Parent Information Evening on Thursday 18th February (Week 4). Please note this date in your diary. You will be advised about the scheduled times shortly.
- If you have not yet purchased the Year 1 textbooks and stationery requirements, the two lists are available at the school office and on the school website. Please label the items and send them to school by Monday 8th February (Week 3).

This year we will continue to focus on providing the best possible learning environment for our students. Please don’t hesitate to see your child’s teacher if you need anything clarified. Thank you in anticipation of your support and we look forward to meeting you in the coming weeks.

Warmest regards,

The Year 1 Team.