Shenington Church of England (VA) Primary School

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Dear Class 1 Foundation Parents,

Hopefully you have had a wonderful Christmas and New Year and are ready for the new exciting year ahead. The children have all made a fantastic start and are already becoming confident and independent. The children have coloured pegs, shoe boxes and drawers to help them become independent and to settle back in class as quickly as possible.

Foundation Stage Curriculum

Children in Foundation Stage are encouraged to learn through exploring the various areas both within and outside the classroom. Child led learning is as important as adult led tasks therefore we present the children with a variety of well stimulated areas in which they can develop skills. The curriculum is divided into areas:

C & L – Communication and Language

L – Literacy

M – Mathematics

EAD – Expressive Arts and Design

PD – Physical Development

PSED – Personal, Social, Emotional Development

UW – Understanding the World

We will be following a topic-based cross-curricular program, this term looking at 'Dinosaurs' (please see attached topic web).

PE and Games

This term, Foundation Stage and Year 1 will have a gymnastics and dance session for which normal PE kit with appropriate footwear (trainers) should be worn. Please ensure that your child has a PE kit in school all week, from Monday and take home on Friday. Please also ensure that the children have weather appropriate clothing for this term such as joggers and extra socks.

Forest School

Forest School will be continuing each week with myself as the trained Forest School Lead. Please ensure that your child has suitable waterproof clothes in a named bag, along with appropriate footwear, depending on the weather. Please ensure when cold, they have a hat, scarf, and gloves as we will be going to Forest School whatever the weather.

Reading
To help your child develop as a young reader and encourage a love of books, we ask that you as parents read with your child each evening and sign their Reading Diary to confirm you have done so. Reading books will be changed on a Monday, Wednesday and a Friday this term.

In school we will be following the Read, Write, Inc scheme with phonics lessons being taught daily.

Targets
The children have their target cards for Literacy and Numeracy. The target system is:
First target

Bronze	10 targets
Silver	20 targets
Gold	30 targets
Platinum	50 targets

We look forward to seeing you at the forthcoming award assemblies, as your child achieves their award.

Please do not hesitate to come and chat with me if you have any concerns. We always welcome any feedback.

We look forward to a great year.

Many thanks,

Mrs Wright,
(Class 1 Teacher)