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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have already come to the end of our first week of the academic year. I would like to extend a warm welcome to all our new families including our reception families and new members of staff.

Thank you to you all for sending the children into school in uniform, they all look so smart. Uniform helps us to feel part of a team and creates our Grove identity. Please do remember to ensure they bring their PE uniform into school on a Monday and keep it in school for the week. We had a few children who didn't bring in their kit for PE this week.

The children have settled well into their new classes and it has been delightful to see how engaged they have been in their learning. Please take a few minutes each evening to help your child to reflect on their day, their achievements and their challenges.

This year we are continuing to reinforce our set of core values and the value for this half term is COURAGE. We will be thinking about what courage means in our everyday life recognising that courage is like a muscle that needs conditioning, discipline, and plenty of opportunities for practice. It takes time to develop courage! As parents you can guide your child's small steps knowing they can someday lead to taking big steps on behalf of themselves and others.

There are lots of trips and visitors being planned to enhance your children's learning. We will be trying to book these as early as possible so you have as much notice about cost etc. With this letter are details of trips, assemblies and other school events for this term. Please do note them in your diary it would be lovely to see as many of you as possible at them.

In a couple of weeks we will be hosting our Meet the Teacher Sessions. This year we are changing the format and timings in response to parental feedback. At the meeting you will hear about class routines/expectations, homework, key topics and how you can work with us to support your child in their learning. I hope you will be able to come along.

I look forward to getting to know our families and working with you during this school year.

Kind regards

Ms Karen Martin
Headteacher