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Dear Parents and carers,

I am very excited to tell you that your child will be in my class from September. For those of you who do not know me, my name is Ms. Iles, and I have worked at Hardwick Green for about 10 years, I am Key Stage Leader and this year I will be teaching a year 1 and 2 mixed class. At home, I have three daughters, a husband and a cat. Miss Shaw is also in class with us this year and she will be our Teaching Assistant. This is our fourth year together in Key stage 1 and we make a great team.

Children will also have a lesson or two each week with Miss Dunning, our school PPA teacher and I.T. expert.



Ms. Iles



Miss Shaw



Miss Dunning

Our classroom is the first one you arrive at if you enter school from Tithebarn Road; we are on the left as you come through the green gate. If you come in the opposite entrance, we are across the playground and beside the ball court.

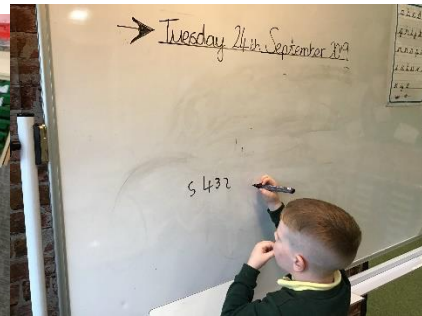
We ask that you leave children at the door, as the cloakroom is very small and can get busy; Miss Shaw and I will help your children into the classroom and help to get them organised for their day.

To help your child get ready for year 1 you can teach them how to put on, and take off their own coats, and show them how to carry and open and close their book bags. We would also like them to be able to write and recognise their own names, and to be able to count and recognise numbers to 10 by the time they start with us in September.

Please write names in coats, hats and jumpers especially. Trousers, skirts and tee shirts should also have names in this stop them being mixed up during PE.

Year 1 is quite a bit different to reception and it does take children a while to get used to the more formal way the classrooms are set up, we have fewer toys and less free time to play. We encourage children to become independent and support them to read and write without an adult beside them. Having said that we always make our learning fun, we play games, sing songs, dress up and do some amazing drama.

To help your child get ready for year 2, teach them how to look after their own belongings such as coats, jumpers and book bags. We would also like them to be able to write and recognise their own first and surnames and they should be able to count and recognise numbers to 100 by the time they start with us in September.



This is just some of the great learning that has happened in year 1 this year.

Miss Shaw and I cannot wait to welcome you and your children into key stage 1 in September.

In the meantime, please contact me with any questions you might have using the details provided at the top of the page.

Kind regards and Best wishes

Ms. L. Iles