

## HILLCROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Reception Parents/ Carers,

The end of the year is fast approaching and before long, your child will be beginning a new phase in their learning journey. We are very much looking forward to welcoming your child into Year One and are confident that the children will take this transition in their stride. However, there will be some differences. Your child's learning will be based upon the National Curriculum and will be assessed in a slightly different way and there will be changes across the year in the way the children's learning experiences are organised.

The daily and weekly routines in Year One will align more closely with the rest of the school. We feel that is important that parents and carers are familiar with the different expectations, procedures and day-to-day running of their child's year group and invite you to a meeting on *Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017 from 6pm – 7pm* in the main school hall to share and discuss these with you. There will also be an opportunity for you to ask general questions about the year group and the new curriculum.

We will also inform you at the meeting which class your child will be in and who their class teacher will be. You will have the opportunity to meet your child's teacher in their classroom. During this time you will have the opportunity to ask more personalised questions and discuss any issues which are pertinent to your child's well - being and education but please remember this is a general meeting and it will be better to make an appointment if you feel that an individual meeting is required.

The Early Years and Phase One staff work very closely together and speak in depth about the children prior to the new school year to ensure their needs are met and that the transition is as successful as possible for everyone. The year one teachers will be spending some time in the reception unit getting to know the children and the children will visit their new classroom and year one playground from time to time so that they are familiar with the adults and classrooms in September.

This is a very exciting time and we look forward to working in partnership with you.

**Yours Sincerely** 

Carina Doran (Phase 1 Leader)









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