



Dear boys and girls,

I am writing to tell you how excited I am to be your new teacher!

My name is Mrs. Cartwright. You may have seen me in assembly or at lunchtimes, or I may have taught your big brothers and sisters.

I am sure that you are looking forward to starting Year One and learning lots of new things. I am busy planning your lessons and activities, so that you can continue your learning when you come back to school in September. We will be starting off by finding out all about each other and creating family trees. It would be helpful if you could spend some time over the summer talking about members of your family, both those who live with you and those who don't. We will also be finding out about a variety of celebrations and festivals. Fingers crossed we can have an 'Apple Day' and celebrate Harvest together!

I am also busy getting your classroom ready, so that it is bright and colourful when you return. It will look even better when we can put some of your lovely work up too! I have tried to include some learning areas that are similar to Reception, so that we can make sure we have completed our EYFS learning before we begin the Year One curriculum.

It is really important that we all feel safe and happy when we return to school, so we will be talking about keeping clean, washing hands, social distancing and playing together safely. I am sure we can work together as a team to make sure that everyone is ok. I have been working at Blandford Mere for 21 years, so I can answer any questions you may have and have lots of experience in keeping children safe!

Remember that you will be coming into school across the Key Stage One playground and I will show you where to put your coats and bags when you arrive.

I hope you enjoy the summer holidays and I can't wait to hear about everything you have been up to when I see you in September.

Take care and stay safe!

Mrs. Cartwright