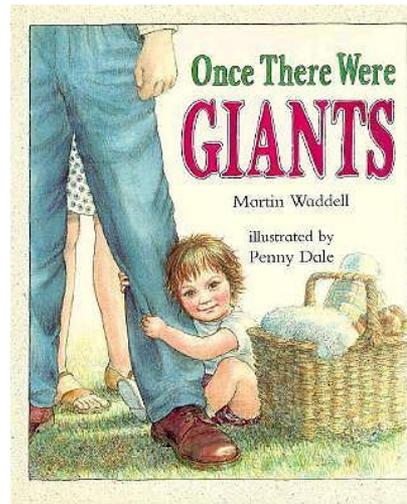


## Just To Let You Know...



# Year One 2012

### Welcome Back!

We are really looking forward to getting to know your children (or getting to know them better!) and we have an exciting half term ahead. Our topic is called 'Once There Were Giants!' and we will be learning all about ourselves. We are especially looking forward to our first trip of the year which happens next week on 12<sup>th</sup> September. We are visiting RHS Wisley to take part in a Sense Sensation Workshop.

### Settling In

The early stages of Year 1 are an important transition from Reception and we aim to make that transition as smooth and happy as possible. We use our lovely outdoor classroom everyday and your child will have opportunities to use the sand and water trays, use large construction bricks, solve problems using longer water pipes, plant in our sensory garden, pond dip, tell stories, use puppets and much more.

### Meet the Team on 11<sup>th</sup> September

We look forward to seeing you at the 'Meet the Team' evening on Tuesday 11th September where we will be able to tell you more about life in Year One.

If you have any questions at all through the year please pop in and see us and we will do our best to help.

Hannah and Emily

## Once There Were Giants!

### How can you help?

Talking to your child about what they are learning at school is always very helpful. Try to talk about how we use our senses and what it might be like to be without one of them. Discuss what we can see, how does it taste or feel etc. Try using language such as rough, bumpy, shiny, prickly, sweet and bitter. Also we would be grateful if we could borrow some photographs of your child doing something for the first time e.g. Taking first steps, riding a bike etc. Please don't send any photos that are too precious! Named and in an envelope please.

### Maths

Soon we will be sending home a 'Maths Focus' sticker in your child's reading record. This tells you which aspect of maths we will be teaching each week. We hope this information will be helpful to you and will give you some ideas to use with your child at home. The information will also appear here on the Just To Let You Know page on the school website.