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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are extremely proud of the children in their first term, they have settled into our morning routines very well, receiving compliments on how settled they are and the progress they are making. To further develop their independence, the morning routine will change at the beginning of the next half term, Monday 30th October 2017. We feel that the children are ready to leave parents at the foundation stage brown doors, independently walking into school. The new routine will involve Miss Webber and Miss Owens meeting to greet the children at the brown doors, with Mrs Oughton and Miss Barry in the foundation classrooms, helping the children to complete their morning task. Please speak to your child about this change in routine.

Reading afternoons will start on Wednesday 1st November 2017 and will continue weekly. All parents and carers are welcome to join their child in reading a story or take part in phonic activities in their classrooms. The brown doors in foundation stage will be opened to parents at 2.45pm.

Could you be our mystery reader? We would like to invite relatives to read a story to the class. The children will be unaware of who the story reader will be. Please let a member of staff know if you are interested. We look forward to seeing you!

On Tuesday 31st October, we would like to invite you to our Marvellous Me showcase. The children will perform a song for you and showcase their learning during their first half term.

Our learning journey up until the Christmas holidays is 'Let's celebrate!' We invite all children to come into school on **Monday 30th October 2017** in fancy dress linked with a celebration. This could be birthdays, Halloween, weddings, Christmas or anything that you may celebrate!

Many thanks and enjoy your half term,
Foundation Team.

*Going beyond the expected with **PRIDE***

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