



Monday 24th April

Dear Parents / Guardians,

Welcome back! I hope everyone enjoyed the Easter break and that you had plenty of chocolate. We have another busy and exciting term ahead. Here are a few bits of information for you.

Topic

Our topic for this half term will be 'How Does Your Garden Grow', where we will be learning all about plants and minibeasts. I have attached an overview of the work that we plan to cover. 'Show and Tell' will continue and the children should bring in items linked to our new topic.

Forest School

Forest School will continue every other Wednesday (please see attached timetable for Wrens class). Children can wear forest school clothes to school. However, we still want to be able to go outdoors for learning at any time during the week so please ensure that your child has a full set of waterproofs in school every day unless we have agreed that your child will use a school set of waterproofs. If you haven't got a set of waterproofs to leave in school then please do come and see me so we can make sure that a school set is available. Outdoor clothes should be left in a clearly named bag on your child's peg or our Forest School box which is in the cloakroom.

Forest School kit should include;

- Waterproof clothing - this can be separate bottoms and top or an all in one.
- Long sleeved top
- Wellies
- Warm socks
- Hat and gloves
- A set of old clothes for very wet days

P.E.

The children will have PE on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Children should have their PE kits in school at all times, including trainers or daps for indoor and outdoor P.E. Please make sure that all PE kit and uniform is named, to ensure children can be independent when changing as possible.

Healthy Snack/Drink

Your child will receive free fruit at morning/afternoon break but the children are allowed to bring in their own snack. As a 'Healthy School' we ask that this is a healthy snack and please can you make sure that your child's snack is clearly named in order to avoid confusion. During the day, your child will have access to water and so they will not need to bring in their own drink. They can bring in a drink for lunchtime and this should be kept on the trolley in the cloakroom. If your child is having a packed lunch, then this should also be placed on the trolley.

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Reading/Sound Books/Homework

Thank you for continuing to listen to your children read regularly at home. They are making good progress so please keep up the good work. If possible, could you please make a note or comment in their reading diaries, this will help us a great deal and give us a better picture of how they are doing at home. If you have any questions or concerns about supporting your child with their reading please come and see me.

The children will continue to have weekly Phonic sounds and tricky word cards to practice at home every week. Please ensure that Sound Books are back in school every Friday.

Year 1 children will continue to be given homework each week on a Friday and is to be returned on a Monday.

Finally, thank you for your continued support in encouraging your children to come into the classroom and carry out their morning routine independently. Becoming more independent will really help their transition in September, but please do remember that you are welcome to come in to pass on information to Mrs Langford, Mrs Cotton and I in the mornings.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Sarah Williams

