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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school this week and see them begin to settle into their new classes. It's been delightful seeing them in whole school worship, singing, playing together on the playgrounds and being polite and sociable during lunchtimes. They really have been a credit to you and the school adapting to the new routines.

We are sure you are keen to get to know your child's teacher and how you can help your child this year. Therefore, we will be holding parent information session over the next two weeks.

Year group	Date and time
Year 6- Owl Class	Thursday 9 th September 15:30-16:00
Year 5- Panda Class	Friday 10 th September 15:30-16:00
Year 4- Giraffe Class	Tuesday 14 th September 15:30-16:00
Year 3- Tiger Class	Monday 13 th September 15:30-16:00
Year 2- Lion Class	Monday 13 th September 15:30-16:00
Year 1- Koala Class	Wednesday 8 th September 15:30-16:00

Having taken some feedback from children, parents and staff we have decided to change the home learning expectations for each year group for this academic year. Teachers will share with you ideas of how you can complete these at home as part of the information sessions.

It was great to hear that some of you have completed the summer reading challenge at the library and are thrilled to note that we are currently third out of all the Dover schools for this challenge. Mrs Williams (English leader) will be sharing with you some exciting in school reading inspiration and competitions! We are particularly keen to promote the benefits of reading 5 times a week.

We hope to see as many of you as possible at these events

	Reading	Vocabulary/Spelling	Maths
Fledglings	5 x times a week (5 mins suggested reading time)	Flashcards Read write Inc Termly vocab	Tuesday Newsday
Year 1	5 x times a week (10 mins suggested reading time)	Flashcards Read write inc Red words	Number bonds/ weekly game linked to area of learning in class
Year 2	5 x times a week (10 mins suggested reading time)	24 words a term (using year group spelling lists) 4 words selected a week and practised in a choice of ways (each way must be used once across the term) Children then have this list in their English book to act as a word bank in lessons	Times tables- Times Table Rockstars (TTRS)
Year 3	5 x times a week (15 mins suggested reading time)		Times tables- Times Table Rockstars (TTRS)
Year 4	5 x times a week (20 mins suggested reading time)		Times tables- Times Table Rockstars (TTRS)
Year 5	5 x times a week (30 mins suggested reading time) 1x weekly comprehension activity		Times tables- TTRS or Arithmetic practise
Year 6	5 x times a week (30 mins suggested reading time) 1x weekly comprehension activity		Arithmetic practise

Kind regards



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