

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school, we can hardly believe we are now in Term 4! We hope you have had a restful break and enjoyed lots of pancakes!. Our topic this term is 'All Animals Great and Small'. Please see our topic map below for more details. Below are just a few reminders about the term ahead..

PE

P.E. will still be on Tuesdays and Thursdays this term, on Thursday we will be doing P.E outside. Please can you ensure your child brings their PE kit to school in a labelled bag for the term. This kit along with their school uniform **must be labelled** with their full name. P.E kits need to include: white t-shirt, black shorts and joggers, daps/trainers, socks and a jumper or sweatshirt. If your child has long hair then they need to have their hair tied up on P.E days. If your child wears studded earrings then they need to be removed or be covered up with tape.

Water bottles and snacks

Please can you provide your child with a clearly named water bottle to use throughout the day. The children can refill their bottles from the tap in the classroom if needed. The children have access to daily fruit at breaktime but if they want to bring a snack from home please ensure that it is healthy, no crisps or chocolate bars are allowed.

Reading

Please send your child to school with their reading record and reading book each day. We kindly ask that your child has a school book bag. Unfortunately, our classroom storage does not allow for back packs. We ask that you only write in your child's reading record book when they have read to an adult at home. We will only monitor their reads to you not their reading for pleasure books. Your child will bring home a reading book with a star in the top right corner every Friday and we ask that you take the time to read this book with your child. Each Monday this book will need to be returned and your child will then be able to choose a free choice reading book that they can change when they have read the book.

Spelling


Children will be given a new set of words each Friday which are based on the phonics they have learnt over that week. The children will be tested on those words the following Friday.

School Trip

Our Trip to the 'The Living Rainforest' is on Wednesday 13th March. The deadline to pay for this is Friday 1st March. Please remember that if you would like to order a 'goody bag' then this will need to be ordered in advance and be paid in cash in a named envelope.

If you have any questions please either contact us via Dojo or come and speak to us on the door.

Miss Ferdous and Mrs Bentley

<p style="text-align: center;">Science</p> <p>The children will identify and name a variety of animals. They will then look at the similarities and differences between these animals. They will also identify animals that are carnivores, herbivores and omnivores and understand what these words mean. We will also be going on our trip to 'The Living Rainforest' this term.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Maths</p> <p>In Maths we will be exploring money. We will recognise and know the value of all the coins and notes. The children will be learning how to make different amounts using money and counting money. The children will be focusing on their number bonds to 20. They will be focusing on addition and subtraction up to 30.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">English</p> <p>The books we will be focusing on are 'The Hundred Decker Bus' and 'The Sea Saw'. Children will be learning how to use and to join sentences and we will be revisiting using adjectives in our writing. Children will also be learning to punctuate sentences with questions marks and to use present and past tense. They will be building their writing stamina to write a story.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Geography</p> <p>The children will continue their work on the UK, this time looking at the 4 countries that make up the UK and their capital cities.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">All</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">Great and Small</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Year 1 Term 4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Computing</p> <p>The children be focusing on grouping data. The children will be learning how labelling, grouping, and searching are important aspects of data and information. We will be logging on to the computers, opening documents, and saving documents.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">History</p> <p>In History we will be exploring what it means to be a Saint and why these are historical figures. The children will be looking into the Patrons that make up the United Kingdom, what days we celebrate this on and how these days are celebrated. We will be making class posters about each one.</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">DT</p> <p>In D.T the children will be exploring textiles and weaving. The children will using various resources to print onto textiles so that they can weave their very own habitat.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">RE</p> <p>The children will be learning about Palm Sunday and the Easter story. The key question is, 'Why was Jesus welcomed like a king or celebrity by the crowds on Palm Sunday?'</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">PE</p> <p>In P.E. this term the children will be learning gymnastics. We will also be learning how to play invasion games.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">Art</p> <p>The children will learn how to use charcoal in Art this term. They will use mixed media to design a bus layer with inspiration from our book focus 'The Hundred Decker Bus. They be focusing on the work by Henri Matisse and Dennis Creffield.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PSHE</p> <p>Our focus this term is 'Healthy Me.' We will be understanding the difference between healthy and unhealthy. We will learn about hygiene and what it means to keep ourselves clean.</p>

