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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to Term 5 of the school year! I hope you have all had a wonderful Easter and have been able to enjoy the sunnier weather!

Our value this term is Trust and our two book hooks are 'Jasper and the Beanstalk' and 'The boy who cried Bigfoot' Please see the topic web, which provides further insight into what the children will be learning in each subject this term.

School uniform and P.E.

As we head into the warmer terms where jumpers can be frequently put on and taken off, please can I ask you to check that your child/children's jumper is clearly named. Whilst children are asked to put them straight into their bag so that they are safe, items can be misplaced and it is very helpful if they are named to help locate/identify them.

During these warmer months, please ensure you child/children are in the correct school uniform, wearing:

- yellow school polo top and green school jumper as required
- grey/black shorts or trousers
- a summer dress/ grey or black skirt
- smart black shoes that are appropriate for school (not trainers)

P.E will be continue to be taught every week on a **Tuesday**. Please can you ensure that **your child/children arrive at school already dressed in their PE kit**. They will remain in this for the day and not need to change. This term the children will be focusing on net skills, with a particular focus on tennis so therefore be outdoors as much as possible. Below is a reminder of the required PE kit:

- White T-shirt and school jumper
- Dark joggers
- Trainers













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Reading

As mentioned before the Easter break, we have updated the reading books we send home so that they align with the phonics that the children are learning or recapping. There may appear to be less text than in other books sent home previously, this is to allow reading to build at a quicker and more fluent pace. As these books are aimed for word recognition and fluency, I encourage you where you can to read wider books/larger texts with your children at home, such as chapter books to help build their appreciation for reading and their wider vocabulary knowledge.

Reading books will continue to be sent home with the children every Friday, when we also tally reads. There are several children who are getting closer and closer to starting the Flight Plan which is brilliant! Please do keep recording any time you read to help the children keep achieving certificates and feeling proud of how their reading is developing!

Before Easter, I sent home some word lists with the words that need to be known from sight and spelt correctly in Year 1 and 2. It would be fantastic if you could check these words with your children as regularly/frequently as possible, the quicker they can recognise these words from sight, the further it will develop their fluency and eventually result in them being less reliant on segmenting and blending to read.

Homework

Please do continue to engage in these **weekly homework expectations**. I check through homework weekly to see how the children are doing and I can really see the impact for children who are regularly completing their homework. A reminder of the weekly expectations are below:

- Maths form via Teams
- SPAG form via Teams
- My Maths task
- Reading as often as possible ideally, daily!

As always, for any quick queries please do feel free to catch me at the gate, otherwise please do not hesitate to contact the office who will direct any emails to me as soon as possible

Kind Regards,

Miss Allanach











