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Dear Parents,

We hope you and your children have had a lovely half term break. Our theme for this half term is 'Into the Woods' – this learning will see us join in the whole school focus for this half term which is the natural world. The children will be learning about animal variation and we will be using the story of 'Bog Baby' by Jeanne Willis as our inspiration for creative writing and art work. There are a number of special events happening in school this half term, which are detailed below.

World Book Day – Thursday 5th March

We will be celebrating World Book Day with the theme 'share a book' and everyone is invited to come to school dressed as a book character. It would be great if the children can bring the book that they are from with them to share with a friend. We are also asking the children to bring in a photo of them sharing a favourite book with a family member at home.

Sport Relief – Friday 13th March

All children are invited to come to school in their normal school uniform but with one item of clothing or accessory in red. The children will take part on a skipping marathon on that day and you are invited to send in a donation for Sport Relief should you wish.

Easter service – Friday 3rd April

Year 1 will lead an Easter service at St Mary Magdalene's church in the morning. Reception and Year Two are also attending this service and therefore, unfortunately there is not enough space to invite parents. However, if you are available to walk children to and from the church (and therefore, watch the service) please let your child's class teacher know.

Cotswold Wildlife Park visit

We will be visiting Cotswold Wildlife Park on Monday 30th March to support our current topic. In order for this learning visit to run we will need some parent volunteers to accompany us. If you would like to volunteer for this visit then please let your child's class teacher know. Class teachers will make a list of volunteers and we will confirm with you as soon as possible if you are needed. Please note that regular volunteers with DBS clearance will take priority when choosing helpers.

Reading and changing reading books.

Please continue to read with your child at home as often as possible – little and often really is the best way to do this. The children are welcome to change their reading books twice a week on a **Tuesday** and a **Friday**. Remember that the Year 1 common exception words that the children need to be able to read are in the back of our reading diaries; please also practise these with your child regularly.

Home Learning

In Year 1 the children have an optional take away home learning menu based on their current topic. The home learning is designed to provide the children with an opportunity to consolidate or extend their learning at home and involve you in the process. Please look at the take away menu for this half term with your child. We would like to take this opportunity to say a HUGE thank you for all of the absolutely amazing home learning that we received last half term linked to our 'To infinity and beyond' topic. The quality of what the children brought in to share with us was brilliant – thank you for your support and the time what you put into these projects.

PE kits

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school every day. PE kit should be named and kept in a small bag on your child's peg.

Water bottles

Please ensure that your child has their own water bottle in school every day so that they can drink as they need to. Water bottles should be named.

We are looking forward to another great half term of learning in Year 1. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

Kind Regards
Year 1 Team



Race equality

