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Dear Parents,

We hope you and your children have had a lovely half term break and that there was a chance to rest, have fun and enjoy the warmer weather. We are delighted and very excited to be able to welcome back our three full classes of children in Year One on Monday 8th March. We are all so looking forward to seeing them all and cannot wait until our classrooms are full of noise, fun, learning and laughter again. We have missed all of our little learners very much.

We would also like to take this opportunity to say a very very BIG thank you to all parents, carers and family members who have supported our remote learning and key worker provision. It has been a journey that we have all been on together but we are sure that you agree, we are all now ready for some normality to return.

Learning Reviews

We will be having our Learning Reviews via Teams on 25th, 29th and 31st March when we will have the opportunity to discuss your child's learning based on assessments that we will be carrying out over the next few weeks.

Spring Term 2

Our theme for this half term is 'Into the Woods.' 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. We do kindly ask that you do not read our key text, 'Bog Baby,' with your child though as we reveal this book step by step throughout the half term. If your child does happen to know this story already then please do not worry as it won't effected what we have planned.

Tapestry

Please note that from Monday 8th March Tapestry should only be used for reading observations, both from members of our school team as well as parents or family members at home, and to share the optional home learning tasks that your child may choose to complete. If you wish to contact your child's class teacher this should be done via email or telephone through the school office.

Reading

We are very fortunate to have access to eBooks on Bug Club which many of your children are reading regularly. As you are probably aware Bug Club books also have interactive comprehension questions which develops their understanding of the texts. As a parent you can also register for free with Oxford Owl who have a wide range of FREE eBooks suitable for children of all ages. Their web address is:
<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

Home Learning

In Year One 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 and complete any of the activities that you would like to. We would love to see what you and your child produce via Tapestry.

Uniform

Please make sure that your child brings a warm, waterproof coat both for playtimes and to enable us to learn outside if appropriate. Please make sure that your child has a named PE kit including jogging bottoms, jumper and trainers in school every day as PE days can sometimes change. Please remember that children should only wear small, plain hair accessories in blue, white, grey or black and long hair should be tied back. If children wear earrings, they should be small studs which they can remove themselves for PE. If they can't remove them then they should be able to tape them up themselves.

Water bottles

It is important that your child has a water bottle with them every day. Water bottles will continue to be sent home DAILY so that they can be washed and refilled ready for the next day. This really helps to combat the spread of germs in school and eases congestion at the water fountains in the mornings.

Birthdays – a reminder

We love celebrating your child's birthday with them which we do in class and as part of our Teams celebration assembly. Your child is invited to donate a book to the classroom library to share with their friends.

If anybody has any questions about this half term's learning then please do get in touch with us via the school office. Once again, thank you all so much for all of your support during the start of this year; we really do appreciate it. We cannot wait to see everyone, especially the children, on Monday 8th March.

Kind Regards

The Year 1 Team

