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Dear Parents and Carers,

Early Years Half Termly Curriculum Information Letter – Summer Term 2 2023

We hope you had a good holiday, we are so happy to have the children back! We can't believe that this is our last half term together in Class 1 and 2 but we know the children will be ready for starting Year 1 in September. You will find out about your child's new teacher in July and children will have an opportunity to meet their new teacher and teaching assistant, and to visit their new classroom (as will parents and carers). Please let us know if you have any questions about moving into Year 1.

Learning Theme

This half term, our learning theme is 'Long, Long Ago'. We will be learning about daily life in the past, castles and dinosaurs. Each week, on a Friday, we will send out a message via parent mail to let you know what we have been working on in school that week and what we will be working on the following week so you can support your child at home. To find out more about what we will be learning this half term, please see the curriculum overview letter.

Supporting Learning at Home

This half term we will be changing our phonics scheme from Storytime Phonics, to Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised. With this change in scheme, will come a change to the decodable books we will be sending home with your child. They will now be reading the same book in a small adult-led group 3 times a week in school (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday). These sessions will focus on decoding and fluency, expression (prosody) and comprehension. The book they read will be matched exactly to their phonic knowledge so that they are able to read the words with 95% fluency. They will bring home the book they have read in school that week on a Thursday so they can 'show off' their fluent reading to you over the weekend. We ask that this book is returned to school on the following Monday, ready for them to start the cycle over again with a new book. We will continue to send home a sharing book a day for you to read with your child and, as always, we ask that you keep recording all of your reading in their reading diary please! We will continue to take in reading diaries on a Friday to see how you are getting on at home with home reading and if you have achieved 5 or more reads for the week to help us win the reading tro.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 8th June – Empathy Day

Week beginning 12th June – Languages week

Wednesday 14th June – Class photos

Friday 16th June – Wear Yellow for Cystic Fibrosis Awareness

Week beginning 19th June – Refugee Week

Tuesday 27th June – EYFS/ KS1 Sports Day

Wednesday 28th June – Open classrooms

Wednesday 28th June – Sing Up Day

Monday 3rd July – Children meet their new class teacher in the morning. Parents and Carers can visit their child's new classroom and meet their new teacher after school.

Friday 7th July – School reports sent home

Wednesday 19th July – Last day of term

If you have any questions about your child and/or their learning – do speak to us at drop-off/pick-up.

Best wishes,

Mr Sapsford, Mrs Cook, Mrs Gentle
EYFS Teachers