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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been lovely to welcome your children back into school last week, and they have quickly settled into their new classes and routines. This letter contains some useful information about their expected learning in Foxes, Rabbits and Dragonflies this term.

Firstly, to introduce the team:

Class	Teacher(s)	Teaching assistant(s)
Foxes 	Mrs Walsh (Mon-Wed) Mrs Jolly (Thurs - Fri)	Mrs Lister and Mrs Whatling
Rabbits 	Mrs Jolly (Mon) Mrs Bennett (Tues - Fri)	Mrs Holden
Dragonflies 	Miss Leftley (Mon-Wed) Mrs Davis (Thurs - Fri)	Miss Page

Although the classes are not mixing, the children in the three parallel classes will be covering the same lesson content. Maths will be taught as a class to begin with in order to maintain the class 'bubbles', with different abilities being catered for by the class teacher with the support of a teaching assistant.

Our main topic this term will be a history topic about the Romans. Other areas of the curriculum may be linked to this.



Headteacher: Mrs S.H. Bradford
Deputy Headteacher: Miss D.K. Stannard

Maths	Place value Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division Properties of shapes Length Fractions Time Bar charts, pictograms and tables
English	Descriptions Recounts Stories with a historical setting Letters Poems
History	Romans
Computing	Animations
PE	Hockey, Tag rugby and badminton skills.
Science	Forces and Magnets
Art and DT	Roman mosaics, clay pots and designing and making a Roman catapult.
Music	Responding to music and songs Rhythm Graphic scores
RE	Rites of passage, daily life and practice of beliefs in Christianity, Judaism and Sikhism
Spanish	Greetings, animals, numbers, time, days of the week and colours.
PSHE	Returning to school E-safety Rules and responsibilities

Reading

Reading will take place each day with whole class or group work based on a book, as well as time for personal, quiet reading. Books will be sent home on a structured basis in order to allow quarantining both before and after they are sent. Therefore, they will be allocated on a Friday, but then quarantined in school over the weekend before being sent home on a Monday. They can then be brought back to school and placed in a box by Friday to be quarantined before being put back on the shelves the following Monday. A reading record book will not be sent home at this time.

Extreme Reading!

Normally each term we have 'Author of the term' and ask the children to read a book written by said author. However, this term, due to the current situation, we would like the children to do something different and take photographs of themselves reading their school book in weird and wonderful places! The best pictures will be chosen to go on display in the Heart Space in school!

Spellings

Spellings will be set on a Friday and tested on the following Friday. These will be published on Class Dojo in order not to send a book home. We recommend the children use the Look, Say, Cover, Write and Check method for learning their words. They each have a login to Spelling Shed where their spellings will be uploaded each week if they wish to practise them online.

Times tables

Children will have a times table of the week to be learning. Please help them to practise these each week. As well as saying them out loud, writing them down and answering questions about them will help, and they can use Time Table Rockstars.

P.E.

As explained by Mrs Bradford, PE kits will be kept in school unless they become very wet and muddy. Children in the juniors need suitable clothes for outside (including long jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt) and indoors (shorts). They also need 2 pairs of trainers so they have a clean pair to wear in the hall.

Homework

Homework ideas will be published on Class Dojo. There will be a menu type list of activities relating to our topic from which the children can choose. We would recommend that children choose 2 or 3 to complete and they can upload their work to Class Dojo.

A maths activity will also be posted each week on a Tuesday. Again, work can be uploaded to Class Dojo.

Please do get in touch if you have any queries or concerns. We are happy to ring or email you at this time while face to face contact is limited. We trust that we will all be able to stay safe and have a successful year.

Jo Leftley, Grace Davis, Amy Bennett, Katharine Walsh, Donna Jolly