**Summer Term 1 2023**

Class 1 Termly Newletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

What another great half term we have had, but how quickly it has gone! We have had a great spring term and we are looking forward to what is to come in the Summer Term. We can’t wait for warmer weather to take our learning outside even more.

**PE Day –** PE will continue to be on a Monday afternoon. Please send your child to school in their PE kit on this day.

**Half Termly Overview** – This has been e-mailed over to you.

**Knowledge banks** – We will once again be emailing the knowledge banks to you ready for next term. These include key knowledge that we will be covering over the next half term. Please continue to talk to your child about them and see if they can re-call the knowledge on a regular basis. In our bid to try and reduce paper usage, we will not print a copy of these to send home however if you would like one, please don’t hesitate to ask.

**Boom Reader** – Thank you to all of the reception parents who are using the boom reader app and to those parents who listen to their child read on a regular basis; it really does help your child make progress. We cannot stress how important it is to listen to your child read their RWI books at home regularly. Getting into good habits with reading early on stands your child in good stead for reading throughout their time in school. Reading for enjoyment is also key to improving literacy skills, so bedtime stories are an essential part of this. We do celebrate children’s reading in Friday assembly so please continue to use the app.

F1 children will continue to take part in a daily story time activity and are beginning to learn individual sounds. We will send these sounds home in a pack for each child, so if you can practise these at home this would be greatly appreciated. Here is a link to see how the sounds are said <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkXcabDUg7Q&t=16s>

We will also be sending a home learning activity sheet home with your child to complete. We will change these on a Friday morning.

**Welly Wednesday** – Welly Wednesday will continue after Easter. Please continue to send your child to school in their forest school clothes, including a raincoat, even if the weather looks ok, just in case and their bag of uniform so the children can get changed before lunchtime.

**Coats** – Please make sure named coats, book bags and water bottles (water only please) are sent to school every day. Please ensure coats and jumpers/cardigans are labelled clearly.

**Lunchboxes** – For those children who bring packed lunches in, we are finding that sometimes there is a little too much for them to get through. Can we also use this opportunity to remind parents that we encourage healthy eating and don’t allow sweets or chocolate bars in their lunchbox.

**Cool Milk** – If your child would like to have free milk, you must sign up on the cool milk website. The company then send the correct allocation of milk to us. We are finding that a number of children are not on the list but do want milk, so if everyone can check that their child is still registered that would be greatly appreciated.

**Spare clothes** – If anyone has any spare clothes, in particular girls or boys pants, please send them our way!

**Tapestry –** Just a reminder that we use the tapestry app for wow moments and key learning rather than as a daily diary. It would be lovely to see what the children have been up to over the Easter holiday, so please upload some pictures if possible. The children love sharing these photographs with their friends.

**Wow! Petals** -We will continue with our ‘Wow!’ petals board so please keep sending them in. This is for parents to use to celebrate something your child can do at home. We read it to the class as an achievement and it goes on our Wow! board. It can be something really simple but something your child is proud of.

If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to ask. Thank you again for your continued support. We will see you back in school on Monday 17th April.

The Class 1 Team.