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CLASS 2 SPRING LETTER.

Dear Parents,

What an exciting and enthusiastic start to the Spring term! The children have returned to school ready to work hard. We have lots of enjoyable things planned for the term ahead. Already we have had a big science 'Wow' event with Mr G which has got our minds buzzing with wonderful ideas. We have also been doing a lot of outdoor learning in our nature area; making bug homes, spotting living things, hedgehog homes, and growing seeds. I am looking forward to spending more time outdoors as we start planting new things next week.

Our curriculum coverage this term will be as follows:-

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- Books Local Church
- Thanksgiving Eucharist
- Opportunities Lent and Easter

English

- Poetry,
- Difference between fiction and non-fiction books.
- Dictionary work; alphabetically ordered texts.
- Traditional tales (main focus is Jack and the Beanstalk).
- Handwriting.

Maths

- Number sequences,
- Place value,
- Ordering and estimating,
- Rapid recall of addition, subtraction and multiplication facts,
- Measure mass and time,
- · Problem solving.

Science

- Habitats,
- Life cycles of animals.

Computing

- Finding information,
- Designing games,
- Word processing.

Geography

An Island home - comparing life on a Scottish island.

History

• The Great Fire of London.

Homework:

Please continue to encourage and support your child to read regularly every week - we have had a great response in the reading logs showing that children are reading more often and recording a huge range of books.

As we begin to learn multiplication and division tables (x2, x10 and x5) regular reminders and checking will help the children to learn and retain these vital facts. Constant reinforcement at home will consolidate the children's learning.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents and helpers again for all your support helping in Class 2 last term, without whom we would be unable to offer some activities to the children.

This term we are still looking for more parent/grandparent helpers to come in and support us with our Design and Technology topic which is sewing puppets. If you are able to give up some of your time to come in and do this then please come and speak to me.

I am looking forward to seeing you all in a couple of weeks at the parent/teacher meetings.

Kind Regards,

Miss Gabler.

A quick request...

We are looking for any broken pots, old bricks, bamboo or sticks lying around in your garden. If you have anything you are willing to donate, please bring them into school and we will happily use them in our nature area to make new homes to encourage more wildlife.

