



Friday 19th April

Dear Zebra families,

Welcome back to the summer term!

Learning

Maths, English and phonics will continue to be taught every morning. The children will also complete a reading session every afternoon to help build their fluency with the new reading scheme books. In English we will be focusing on sequencing sentences to make short narratives and in Maths we will be looking at multiplication and division (including money), before moving on to think about Shape and Fractions. Our topic this half term is 'Toys' with a focus on properties of everyday materials in science and looking at the history of toys as well as making our own felt puppets in Design and Technology. In Summer 2 our topic will be 'The Seaside' with a focus on classifying animals in science and map skills in geography as well as using the sea to inspire our weaving during Art sessions.

PSHE

We shall be covering the concepts of Growing and Changing, progressing from the content the children were taught last year. A more detailed outline of this will be sent to parents as a separate letter shortly.

Library

Library sessions will remain on Wednesdays for Zebra class. Please ensure books are returned weekly as your child cannot be issued another book until their previous one is returned.

P.E

Please continue to send your child in wearing PE clothes every Monday. Please make sure that your child has suitable clothing for the weather, including shoes, and that they are wearing their red school jumper.

Wellie Wednesday

On Wellie Wednesdays we will enjoy activities in the garden, campfire cooking and of course visit the lakes. Our first trip to the lakes will be on Wednesday 24th April. Thank



you to our volunteers who make campfire cooking and our trips to the lakes possible. Please ensure your child has waterproofs and wellies available at school which fit; these will be worn every Wednesday. Some children took these home at the end of the term, so please do ensure they are here for our first trip to the lakes. Children will need to arrive in school in Wellie Wednesday clothes, clothes suitable for the weather outside and bring their school uniform in a named bag to change into afterwards.

Homework

Reading continues to be a priority in Year 1 and it is expected that children are heard at home at least four times a week. A sapphire gem will be awarded each time your child has completed four reads at home in a single week. Children also read in school and the extra reads they do at home will help build the speed at which they can read their book by the end of the week. Books are changed on a Monday to allow for this routine.

Please see the attached information about Numbots and use this resource at home to support your child's developing maths skills.

If you have any questions please speak to the team after school.

The Year 1 Team