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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of a new school year. I hope you have all enjoyed your summer holidays and I am sure I will hear all about what the children have been up to. It will be great to see some returning members of Regents class, but it will be equally as lovely to get to know the new members of the class also. I wanted to take the opportunity to share some important information with yourselves, including information about the learning which will be happening this term.

Marvellous me.

This term our topic is called 'Marvellous me'. In English, we will be looking at fantastic texts such as 'Dogger' this is a text all about a boy and his favourite teddy. For this, I would like to invite children to bring in their favourite teddy to support us with our learning. Our next text is 'Wisp: A story of hope' and finally 'A child of Books'. We will use these texts to provide high quality learning opportunities to support your child's reading and writing skills.

In History the children will be learning about changes within living memory, we will look at sequencing human timelines and looking at how we have changed since we were a baby. Regents will be discussing similarities and differences between themselves and their parents and then further exploring similarities and difference between toys.

In science our topic is animals including humans where we will be exploring the five senses: sight, sound, taste, touch and smell. Here we will partake in lots of experiments to show how important our senses are to us, and we will also be looking at how not everyone has all five senses and will learn some key skills such as sign language/Makaton. We will then be looking at the human body where children will listen to a familiar book 'Funnybones' and identify the main bones in the body and the functions of the human skeleton.

In Art this term, we will be discussing how we are all unique. We will be looking at self-portraits, in which they will use a variety of techniques and medias whilst exploring artists such as Picasso, Klee, Goldsworthy and Warhol. As said by Picasso 'All children are artists'.

In PSHE the children will be looking at emotional wellbeing where they will have plenty of opportunities to explore their own feelings and find ways to recognise, manage and share their emotions with people they can trust. Which I am sure will be especially helpful and supportive to them in this first term.

In RE children will be focusing on the Creation story and how God created the world in 7 days. They will be sequencing and roleplaying key stories. They will also be looking into the Harvest festival and how we can communicate with and show God we are grateful for something while also creating their own prayers.

PPA and ECT time

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Mrs Osbourne will continue to cover my PPA on a Monday morning 8:30-11:45am and Mrs Baker will cover my ECT time on a Wednesday from 2-3:15pm. If you have any messages between these times, please contact them via Dojo as I cannot guarantee I will be in school or see my Dojo messages. If it is important, please ring the school office on 01205 460547.

<u>Personal Belongings</u>

Please can you make sure that <u>everything</u> is clearly labelled with your child's name (forename and surname) so we are able to return any lost items to the correct child. If your child has lost something, please tell them to check our lost property box.

P.E

Please can we make sure PE Kits are back in school the first week of term ready for your child's first PE session on 5th **September**. Our PE sessions are twice a week on a **Tuesday** and **Thursday**. Your child should bring their P.E. kit into school, where they will get changed into it for our P.E. sessions. If your child wears earrings, could I please ask that they are removed before school in order to keep your child safe.

Reading Books

Sharing Book

Your child will change their sharing book on a **Monday** and **Friday**. Please ensure your child brings their sharing book back to school so they can be changed. This can be a book that you read to them, or they read themselves.

Phonics Book

Your child will read their phonics book three times a week within school. Your child will then bring their new phonics book home on a Wednesday. This book is based on your child's phonics level which has been decided from their assessment. Please make sure your child's previous phonics book is in school on the Wednesday morning so we can issue their new one. If a phonics book is lost or damaged a £4 bill will be added to your ParentPay.



Regents reading incentive

Children who are reading 3 times a week OR MORE (on separate days and have this recorded in their reading records) will receive a prize out of the dippy box on a Friday. At the end of every term there will be a bigger prize for the top three children who have read the most that term.

Homework

Each week your child will be set homework. Every child has a blue homework folder, and this is where their homework will be. Please ensure all homework is back in school the following **Friday morning**. All homework which has been handed in on time will get 2 dojo points. Your child will also have maths homework set via the online app Sumdog. Log ins for your child's Sumdog account can be found in the inside page of their reading record.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via Class Dojo. I look forward to seeing you.

Kind Regards,

Miss Maclean and Mrs Simpson

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