

Dear Class One Parents,

We hope you had a restful Easter holiday and are recharged and ready for another busy term! Below there's a little information about the coming term and a quick recap of key information.

### **School Day**

A reminder that children should be dropped off at the back playground between 8.45-55am and collected from the Reception gate at 3.25pm. We really appreciate your punctuality.

### **Topics, Trips and Visitors**

Our new topic is 'New Life' and we will be learning about lifecycles, such as that of butterflies, birds, frogs and plants. To enrich this learning, Class One will be getting hands-on pond dipping at Stover Country Park next week. Please see our attached 'Topic Web' which outlines the areas of learning that we will be covering in more detail.



Meeting people from the local community is an important aspect of learning in the EYFS and we will hopefully have some visitors coming to do 'Show and Tells' with the children. If you or someone you know would like to visit Class One to do a short talk about their occupation, please do let us know!

### **Reading Books and Book Bags**

We strongly encourage reading every day (even if it is just for 5 minutes), as this greatly supports children in developing and securing their phonics knowledge, reading skills and, importantly, their confidence! Reading each book three times, further embeds these blossoming reading skills. Please record all the reading you do at home in your child's yellow Home-School Diary, as it provides valuable information for us about how your child is reading at home and indicates whether we need to change your child's reading books. We ask that Book Bags are brought into school every day.

### **Water Bottles and Snack Time**

Healthy lifestyles are always encouraged in Class One, and we ask that each child brings a labelled water bottle, filled with water, into school every day. We always remind the children to stay hydrated throughout the day and they refill them when necessary. At snack time government funded milk is available until your child reaches the age of 5, thereafter it can be paid for. We also provide a range of fruit for the daily morning snack, however, if you wish to provide an alternative healthy snack, please remember we are a NUT-FREE school.

### **Sun Hats, Sun-Cream and Coats**

As we go into the summer term the weather will get warmer. Children should come into school with sun hats and with sun-cream already applied - this should then be sufficient for the length of the school day. Children can independently apply more sun-cream at lunchtime as required, please ensure their sun-cream container is clearly labelled. We know the good old British weather can be unpredictable, so please remember your child will always need to come to school with a jumper/cardigan and they may need a coat.



### **PE and Outdoor Explorers**

Class One will continue to have PE with Mr Tanner every Monday. Children should come to school wearing their PE kits. Outdoor Explorers remains on a Thursday afternoon, and we ask that children come into school (and go home) in their Outdoor Explorers clothes. They will need wellies and practical clothing: t-shirt, tracksuit bottoms and a hoodie/sweatshirt are ideal. They may also need waterproofs for when we go outside in the rain. **Please name all of your child's school uniform, PE kit and Outdoor Explorers clothing to avoid items getting lost!**

### **Tapestry and Keeping in Touch**

Please check Tapestry regularly for posts and messages and, likewise, please share with us what your child has achieved at home and any non-urgent messages that you may have for us. You can also email the school office ([adminlandscove@thelink.academy](mailto:adminlandscove@thelink.academy)) or speak in person at drop off and pick up. As always, never hesitate in asking us any questions that you may have. Thank you for your continued support,

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