

Key Stage 1 Class Letter

2nd May 2019

Dear Families,

Welcome back after what I hope was a lovely Easter break.

Our topic

This half term our whole school topic is **Places** and Key Stage 1 will be looking at **Local Habitats**. We will be learning all about the places where animals like to live and why. We will be linking this to as many curriculum areas as possible. In science we will be looking at different kinds of animals – including humans – and what they need to survive. In art, we will be looking at the work of the artist Andy Goldsworthy and finding out how he uses materials from his local environment in his art.

Please see overleaf for more details of what we will cover this half term.

Reading

As always, regular reading at home is essential to support your child's learning. Please can you ensure that children's books and reading records come to school in their book bag **every day, whether they need changing or not**. It is important that children have their books with them so staff can regularly check children's reading in school and comment in reading record books.

How can you help at home:

- Write information using capital letters and full stops consistently – *some children are still forgetting to do this, so please remind them if you see it!*
- Add extra detail to sentences using 'when, if, that, because, and, or, but'
- Practise key skills including adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing
- Practise children's fluency of skills such as counting in 2's, 5's and 10's (forwards and backwards!)
- Solve fractions problems such as $\frac{1}{2}$ of 6

Spellings

Thank you for your support with the spellings! *We will be sending spellings home on Fridays for you to practice and 'zap' throughout the week. I will then check them in school on the following Friday and hopefully give away lots of 'Golden Zaps!'*

P.E.

This half term P.E. we will be doing P.E. on **Monday and Friday afternoons** with Project Sport. Please ensure your child has a full and named P.E. kit in school so that we can start our P.E. sessions on time and enjoy a longer session. Please can you also check your child's P.E. pumps still fit as we are hoping to get outside for more P.E. sessions now the weather is nicer – hopefully!

As ever, if you have any queries please don't hesitate to ask; after school is the best time. Don't forget that you are always welcome to come up into the classroom with your child after school to see what we have been doing, but please may I remind you that I am not available on Tuesday or Wednesday nights as we have staff meetings.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Tregellas