

CLASS ONE

Hope you had a great summer!

Welcome back:

Welcome back to all of our old pupils and hello to a few new faces! We hope you all had a great summer! This newsletter will hopefully give you a few ideas of the kind of things the children in Class One will be getting up to in the coming weeks.

Homework:

- All children will receive homework every night in the form of reading. The Reception children will also be given a piece of Literacy or Numeracy every Monday to Thursday. Please sign their reading and/or homework diaries each night to show that work set has been completed.

Tapestry:

Thank you so much to everyone who regularly checks in to their child's Tapestry account. It's great to be able to give you more of an insight into your child's learning. Please feel free to add as many of your own observations and comments as you like.



We're going to the Zoo!

Our topic this term is looking at children's books. Our first book this term is 'Dear Zoo'. As part of our topic, we will be going on a trip to Paignton Zoo. The children are very excited to see some of their favourite animals so I hope it is a lovely, sunny day for us! We will remind you closer to the time of what they need to bring with them.

We are hoping to hold a zoo themed day just before the half term where the children can set the classroom up as a zoo to visit, be an animal in, be a zookeeper in, and more. If your child has any clothes they could wear that would make them look like a tiger, elephant, etc, then they will be able to bring those in on the day. More details will follow closer to the time!





General notices and reminders:

- **We provide a healthy snack each day in class one at the cost of £1 per week. This term's fees come to £13. You are able to pay either weekly or termly. Please pass the money to a member of Class 1 staff.**
- If your child has been diagnosed as asthmatic, please make sure you have provided a labelled inhaler that is in date to be kept in school.
- Please make sure your child has their full winter uniform on and that it is all fully labelled, including PE kit.
- For any parents who are interested in learning more about the Early Years please visit www.gov.uk/early-years-foundation-stage.

Our Family Tree

This term we would like the children to think about the people in their family. You may have noticed that one of our display boards has some blank trees on ready for photographs of our children's families. We would be grateful if you could please send in photos of the people in your child's family with their first names and relationship to your child written on the back. If you would like the photos returned after we have finished our work, please let us know and we will take photocopies so that we can use them without the original photograph being damaged.

Harvest Festival

Harvest Festival is going to be celebrated at school on Friday 4th October at 9:15am. We are hoping to hold it in the church this year. We will be sending more information closer to the time regarding the charity we will be fundraising for and the ways that you can show your support, too.

Stick Insects

We are awaiting the arrival of some special visitors tomorrow - Macleay Spectre, Australian stick insects. The children will get the chance to watch them grow and change, thus teaching them about life-cycles and exotic creatures. They are fascinating creatures and perfectly safe for the children to hold. This is an extra bonus to link in with our zoo topic. I haven't told the children yet as I would like it to be a surprise, so please keep it under your hats!

