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Dear Parents,

We hope you have all had a great summer holiday and we are really looking forward to working with you and your child/ren in *Hedgehog Class* this year! We have already enjoyed a busy and successful couple of days back at school and the children seem to be settling happily into the routines of the class.

Just a reminder that Hedgehog Class' teachers this term are: Miss Wheeler (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) and Mrs Richardson (Thursday and Friday). If you ever need to talk through any questions or concerns you may have, we will be out on the gates at the end of each school day; alternatively, please do drop an email to the office and we will find a suitable time to meet.

Please find below, some further information about this term:

Reading

The children will read regularly with an adult on a 1:1 basis and should bring their book bags to school every day. Reading books will be changed and sent home each week - on your child's book change day (this will be shown on the front of their Reading Record). To support us in this process, please comment on your child's Reading Record to confirm books have been completed successfully (or whether you feel your child would benefit from keeping his/her book/s for another week). Please try to read the children's books three times each to allow for your child to increase their fluency with reading.

Phonics

Phonics continues to be of huge importance in Year 1, to help the children grow as both readers and writers. This term we will be revising our Owl Class learning, through revision of Phase 4 'Unlocking Letters and Sounds'.

Writing

This term we will be developing our independent writing skills and using the book 'Handa's Surprise' and our Geography topic of 'Africa' as our focus. We will be looking at using our sounds to write words and help us to begin to compose simple sentences.

"Love each other as I have loved you" John 15:12



Maths

As mathematicians, the children will be working to secure their understanding of numbers within 10 this term. Once counting and place value are secured we will move on to number facts and families, including the concepts of addition and subtraction and with recognition of the + symbol and it's meaning.

Wider Curriculum

Please find our class topic web attached/on the website, for more details about the topics we will be covering across the curriculum, this term in Hedgehog Class.

Please also find below, some further reminders about this term:

- This term, Hedgehog PE sessions will be on Wednesday (Miss Wheeler) and Thursday (Mrs Richardson) afternoons. PE kits should be worn into school on PE days.
- Children do not need to bring pencil cases, stationery or bags (other than book bags) into school.
- Please send your child with their own healthy snack for morning break and a freshly filled water bottle.
- Please ensure that all property in school is labelled clearly with your child's name.

Finally, if you have any questions or are concerned in **any** way about your child, please do contact us so we can work together to resolve any issues promptly. We are typically at the gates at the end of each school day; alternatively, please do drop an email to the office and we can arrange a suitable time to meet.

Yours sincerely,

Jade Wheeler and Claire Richardson (Hedgehog Class Teachers)

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