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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the Easter break. This term our topic is called 'Let's Go Exploring' where we will look at books from the 'Little People, Big Dreams' series as well as 'A Day with the Animal Railway' and 'Emma Jane's Aeroplane.' We will start Phase 4 phonics where the children will learn to read words with more than one syllable and words with adjacent consonants (such as **plan**, **crunch** and **float**). Reading is so important so please continue to listen to your child read at home and use the resources on our website to support your children through their reading journey.

This term we are introducing Spelling Books as the children begin to prepare for Year One. The spellings need to be completed 3 times a week. As normal, new spellings will be sent home on a Friday and collected back in the following Thursday. In our number work this term we will be learning numbers 11-20 and beyond, number bonds to 10, doubling and looking at one more.

In our Science sessions this term we will be learning about how to grow plants, looking at seeds before experimenting to find out what plants need to help them grow healthy. We will learn about travelling on land, over oceans and in the air with a focus on Ernest Shackleton and Amelia Earhart. During this term we will also look forward to celebrating the 80th VE Day Anniversary and preparing for Sports Day.

As the weather is getting warmer, please make sure that jumpers and cardigans are named so the children take the correct one home. We will continue our regular use of our outdoor learning spaces so don't forget to apply sun cream before school on sunny days, and please send your child with a named sun hat and a water bottle each day.

PE days will be **Tuesdays and Thursdays this term**. PE bags will need to be in school on a Thursday so that the children can continue to practice getting changed. Please get in contact if you have any queries.

Many Thanks,

The Reception Teachers