

Dear Parents,

Welcome back, we hope you had an enjoyable break. This term our topic is called 'Ready, Steady, Grow' where our learning will focus on plants, gardens and minibeads. The children have so much to look forward to this term with exciting art activities, Science week (14-18<sup>th</sup> June) and our school trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park.

As part of the topic, we will be looking at books such as Jasper's Beanstalk, The Bee Book and Superworm. We are also looking forward to Science Week which will be starting on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June. We will be looking at the book 'Tidy' by Emily Gravett and making bird feeders as part of the whole school science focus on conservation.

We will be continuing with our Reading Challenge this term. The challenge is for the children to read on 5 different occasions in a week. We collect the reading records in on a Monday and mark it from week to week. Please ensure you are making note in your child's reading record of when they have read. The children who read 5 times in a week each get a raffle ticket and will be in with a chance of winning a prize each term. We will also be continuing with our spellings this term. These are collected in every Thursday and new spellings are given out the next day.

Just a reminder, please can book bags be brought to school daily as this means we can read with the children and change their books, as well as adding new spellings, words to read and correspondence home. As the weather is getting warmer it is really important that the children come to school wearing sun cream and have a hat as our children will be doing a lot of outdoor activities. Finally, please could PE kits and water bottles be returned to class.

As this is our last term, we would like to thank parents for their help and support this year, we hope you have had an enjoyable year in Reception.

Yours Sincerely

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