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Polar Bear Class – Learning Overview for Parents – Summer 2021

Monday 19th April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have all had a well-rested and enjoyable Easter break. This half term, our topic will be 'The Aztecs'. Our learning will be focused on understanding the Aztec and how their efforts have contributed to modern society; as well as through a range of activities the children will be learning all about early Aztec life.

Our School Week

I will be teaching the class on Monday and Tuesday morning and all day Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Mrs Crompton will be working with children from Polar Bear class on a Monday morning; Mrs Townsin will be assisting the class on a Tuesday morning, Wednesday morning and Thursday and Friday afternoons. On a Monday afternoon, the class will have PE with a sports coach. Please can you make sure your child has their full kit with them in school. On a Tuesday afternoon, the class will have Forest School with Miss Ellis and Mrs Crompton. Please can you make sure your child has their full forest school kit with them in school for Forest School days.

This half term we will be starting our swimming lessons. These will take place on a Friday morning, starting from Friday 23rd April.

Homework

Over this half term, there will be a selection of 'pick and mix' style homework tasks. Children will be given a sheet with a choice of nine activities. The idea is to pick one of the nine activities a week and hand it in on the Monday. You do not have to complete all nine. Parents can help and support as much as they would like. This style of homework is to allow for children to develop and deepen their understanding of our current topic as well as allowing the children to have a level of independence and choice with their learning. Please can you listen to your child read as much as possible; and please encourage your child to practise their spellings and times tables in preparation for their weekly tests, which will now be on a Thursday due to swimming. A copy of your child's spellings list will be attached to the back cover of their reading record. Following their spellings and times tables tests which will now be on a Thursday, children will highlight any incorrect spellings on the copy, so that you are aware of which spellings your child still need to practise.

Water Bottles

In school, we promote keeping hydrated and drinking water regularly. Please ensure your child has a named, filled water bottle for each day of school. It is important that water bottles are filled before school, to allow us plenty of time for our morning tasks, children are welcome to refill their bottles if they finish them before the end of the day.





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As ever, I would like to thank you for your continued support as we work toward your child's learning, if you have any questions, queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me. Due to the current circumstances, face to face contact is limited, if you need to get in touch, please do so by emailing or telephoning the office.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Barnett
Year 4/5 Class Teacher

