

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back after half term! Can you believe that we are now over half way through the school year?! We have a lovely half term of activities coming up- for details of our forthcoming learning in each area of our curriculum please see the attached sheet.

This half term, the children in Class 1 will be learning about 'Amazing animals!' which will include real and also imaginary creatures. We will start off by looking at where in the world animals live and how they are adapted to the area in which they live. We will be sorting animals by looking carefully at their features and eventually making our own imaginary creature. We are very excited to have a visit from an 'animal encounters' team on **Tuesday 1st April** to look at and learn about some real animals (details on Arbor).

PE lessons this half term will take place again on a **Wednesday** (games) AND on a **Friday** (gymnastics). Please could you ensure that children have their PE kits in school all week with a pair of trainers and warm clothes such as jogging bottoms and hoodies. For this half term, 'Show and Tell' will remain on a **Wednesday**. Please continue to read as often as you can with your child (and at least four times a week) and record their reading in their reading diaries. The children are so pleased when they win Oswald!

As the weather is getting better, please could you ensure that your child has a named water bottle in class which contains only water (other drinks for lunchtime are fine) for them to drink when they require. Please could I also ask you to check that jumpers/cardigans and coats are named as they are often shed quickly at playtime and are difficult to reunite with their owners afterwards without a clear name inside, thank you.

If you ever have a concern or query regarding your child, please feel free to come to see us for a quick chat before or after school or you are welcome to book an appointment if you'd like more time to talk.

We are very much looking forward to our learning this half term!

With best wishes,

Mrs Hayley Pratley

Ms Emilia Munro