

Dear Parents

We hope that you and your children have had a lovely, relaxing Easter break and that you are feeling refreshed and ready for the term ahead!

We have a very busy term planned with lots of interesting and exciting events for the children. We start the term with the topic *Amazing Animals* where we will be looking at land and then sea animals. Our *Stunning Starter* will be a visit to Bocketts Farm, followed later in the term by our *Marvellous Middle* when Zoolab will be visiting with a range of insects (and we imagine the children will be braver than the teachers in handling them!) After half term we move onto the topic *Space* and our term will end with our *Fabulous Finish* on Big Toddle Day with a dress up day and space themed picnic.

Throughout the term we will also be incorporating our school value of *Persistence* and our thinking skill of *Patience* into the children's experiences.

This term we will be gently starting to transition the children into Reception. Please help us to help them by encouraging them to be as independent as possible. Teaching the children how to dress and undress independently is one of the things which will really help them next year. We will also be asking you to say goodbye to them at the door to prepare them for when they will need to do this in Reception.

Please ensure that your child has a spare set of clothes, wellies and waterproof trousers at school at all times. With the weather hopefully warming up, please can you also make sure that they have a sun hat with them at all times, and if it is really hot that you apply sun tan lotion before school. They also need a coat with them at all times – sometimes it can seem warm when you drop them off but a coat is always needed.

As always, we have an open door policy so please do not hesitate to come and speak to us if you have any concerns, no matter how big or small.

We are looking forward to our last term with your children and are sure they are going to learn a great deal and have lots of fun.

Yours sincerely

The Kindergarten Team

Dates for the diary

3rd May – Trip to Bocketts Farm

16th May – Class Assembly

23rd May – Zoolab visit

7th June – Sports Day

12th June – Father's Day breakfast followed by open classroom

29th June - Big Toddle and Out of This World Picnic

20th June – Meet the New Teacher

Term ends – 12 noon Tuesday 3rd July