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Owls Spring Term letter 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the Spring Term in Owls Class. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year break. We are all really looking forward to another term with your children and have lots more exciting learning lined up!

This term we hope to be off to a 'flying start' with learning, continuing where we left off before Christmas. We had some fantastic learning in our class last term including our impressive geodesic dome, and we look forward to continuing this in the spring term.

Please help your child make the best start to the new school term by ensuring they have all the things they need each day, including correct uniform and a water bottle, all of which should be **clearly named**. **We have quite a collection of jumpers, cardigans and other clothing already, none of which is named and so we are unable to return them to the correct child.** Children should not bring in any toys including teddies or balls from home.

Snacks:

Breaktime snacks are encouraged, these should be healthy, for example fruit or plain cereal bars. Chocolate bars, biscuits, cakes, crisps, sweets including peppermints are not allowed. Please remember we are a **nut free school** due to children with serious allergies.

Reading book arrangements: These will continue as for last term. Please do encourage your child to read at home so they can quiz at school and work towards their target. Once they achieve their target, they will receive a certificate.

Children will also have access to the library from where their choices will be scanned out so that they can borrow beautiful books to share with you at home. It is important that these books are returned and scanned back into the library. Any outstanding books will be followed up by letter prior to fines being issued

PE arrangements:

Our class PE/Games sessions remain on Thursdays and Fridays with Premier Sports coaches. Please make sure children have their **named** PE kit in school for these days –



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this should be a white t-shirt and black shorts/leggings, with tracksuit bottoms in cooler weather and trainers. Football strips and multi-coloured t-shirts and shorts are not permitted.

Homework expectations:

Our basic homework expectations for children are:

Daily reading - minimum of 15 minutes – please record when you have heard them read in their reading record.

Spelling – spellings are given out on a Friday and are tested the following Friday. Please help your child to learn these at home, little and often is best.

Times tables/Counting - All children will be given login details to access TT Rockstars. However, oral counting, chanting and testing of number facts works best, so the children have rapid recall of these facts which greatly improves their ability to access mathematics across the curriculum – number games in the supermarket can be fun or on car journeys can be a useful way to pass the time.

Contacting us:

We value a close relationship with parents and carers, so if you have anything to share with us, including worries or concerns, please do get in touch. We are available in the mornings on the playground before the whistle, on the playground at home time, via dojo messaging or email (please email the school office office@benwick.cambs.sch.uk).

We are greatly looking forward to continuing working with you and your children.

Best wishes for a wonderful term,

The Owls Team