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Owls Summer Term letter 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the Summer Term in Owls Class. We had a fantastic hard working term in the spring term and we are really looking forward to the term ahead with your children with lots of exciting learning lined up!

As you know, Mrs Piper left at the end of the spring term, but I will continue to teach Owls class with support from Mrs Cutler. Our Teaching Assistants are Mrs Few, Mr Pedder and Mrs Parker as from last term.

It remains important to us that the children feel happy and confident and we want our classroom to continue being a positive, happy environment where the children will feel confident and excited to learn. We continue to encourage the children to talk to us at the start of the day if they have any concerns and would be pleased to hear from you at the start of the day or at the end of the day if there is anything you wish to discuss.

Please ensure children have all the things they need each day, including correct uniform and a water bottle, all of which should be **clearly named**. Children should not bring in any toys including teddies or balls from home. These will be removed and kept on the teacher's table or placed in trays.

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



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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 are on Wednesday with Mrs Cutler and Friday with Premier Sports coaches. Please make sure children have their **named** PE kit in school all week – 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 Monday and are tested the following Monday. 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 working with you and your children.

Best wishes for a wonderful term,

Mrs Clutton, Mrs Cutler & the Owls Team