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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and a well-deserved rest! Our new topic this term 'Our Earth and Beyond', will be taking us to outer space! The children will have the opportunity to explore facts about space and learn about the history of Neil Armstrong and his mission to the moon. The children will design their own alien and create a habitat for their alien to live in. We will also be preparing for our phonics screening in June by using our phonic knowledge to decode real and alien (nonsense) words. Next half term we will be getting our passports at the ready and we will become explorers travelling the world. Our plane will land on safari in Africa and the children will be investigating the similarities and differences to our lives. We hope the children enjoy these topics and we can't wait to become immersed in them too! Thank you for your continued support.

<p>Maths</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counting and ordering Number bonds to 10 and 20 Doubles and halves More/less Fractions of number and shape Addition/subtraction Capacity/weight Skip counting in 2s, 5s and 10s Time and money Length and measure 	<p>English</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talk 4 Write – writing a report about aliens Letter writing Descriptive narrative Poetry Diary entries
<p>Science</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Materials and their properties Identifying, sorting and classifying Growing: Identifying garden and wild plants Recognising the basic structure of a plant 	<p>Computing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop our maths skills on Mathematics weekly Algorithms Word process a document Cut and paste pictures in a word document <p>RE/PSHE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rules at home and school Concentration and Independence Identity and belonging Community Values
<p>Topic (History/Geography/Art/DT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> History: History of space using a variety of sources to gather information Geography: Man-made and natural features of the school and the local area. Simple mapping skills Art: Textiles: Collage and weaving DT: Moving mechanisms 	<p>PE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gym – Flight, jumping and landing Games – Bat and ball skills Cricket and tennis <p>Music</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using voices expressively and creatively through songs, chants and rhymes Listening with concentration and understanding live and recorded music

A few reminders:

Reading – Please listen to your child read every day as this really does make a great difference to their progress. After you (or another adult/older sibling) have listened to your child read, could you please write the title of the book and initial in the appropriate space. Please feel free to comment on your child's reading if you would like to. Children are encouraged to change their books daily and independently. Key words will also be in your child's book bag (up to key word 9) so please initial if they can read the word fluently. If your child has reached key word 9, please practise spelling these words.

Label uniform – It would be very helpful if all items of uniform are labelled clearly. This includes PE kit, shoes and coats.

PE kit – PE is on every Monday and every other Tuesday. PE kit should be kept in school.

Forest School – This is held every other week on Tuesday afternoons. The children need long sleeved tops and full length trousers for every session. This includes the summer months too for health and safety reasons. No trainers please – wellies or walking boots only.

Toys – Please ensure that your child does not bring any toys or cards or stationery into school as this can cause problems in the classroom and outside at playtimes. However, we are happy for children to bring in topic related items to share on a Friday if they would like to.

Music – Children having lessons need to have their instrument and music in school on lesson days. For information about starting any music lessons or activities please ask to see Miss Hill.

Water Bottles – Please send children with water to drink in named bottles. These will be kept in the classroom for easy access and it is particularly important as the weather begins to get warmer.

Once again if you have any queries please do not hesitate to come and see us after school. We are always happy to see you!
Thank you again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

The Year One Team!