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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the Autumn term in Seedlings Class. The children are settling in well and have been enjoying getting to know each other and exploring the activities and areas set up both inside and outside the classroom. A warm welcome to our new pupils, Alishia, Amelia, Arthur and Marley and Ivy.

Here is some important information for you regarding this term in Seedlings class. PE will be on a Friday afternoon. If you have a child in Reception, please can you ensure that they have a PE in school. These can be left in school, and we will send them home at half term. Nursery children will need to wear appropriate clothing and footwear but do not need to have a PE kit unless they wish to.

At the end of this week the children will be bringing home a reading folder containing a Home learning and reading record book. In this book you will find a weekly home learning task to complete with your child and we will also be using the back of this book to record any reading your child does at school and at home. Please use this book as an extra method of communication, i.e if your child is being collected by someone different.

Every child will be bringing home a library book each week. This will need to be returned to school before they can have a new one. Please record when you have shared the book with your child in the back of their reading record.

Later in the term Reception children will start to learn letter sounds and begin to blend these in order to read words. When children are able to blend we will send the home with a reading book. Please record when your child has read with you at home. It is beneficial for the children's fluency and understanding to read each book more than once. Please ensure you use the comprehension questions at the back of the books to support your children's understanding.

The children will be taking part in Outdoor learning on a Tuesday afternoon. Please can children bring in a change of clothes for this session. They will need to have a long sleeved top and trousers, not shorts. Children will also need wellies and waterproofs but these should already be in school. If you haven't already done so, please send a pair of named wellies and a waterproof suit into school as children will need these at lunch time. The school field gets very muddy during wet weather as it is used all year round.

We are available at the start and end of each day if you have any questions or concerns.

Best wishes
Mrs Eaton



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