Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you had a lovely relaxing Easter break. It is great to see everyone back in school, catching up with their friends and chatting about what they have been up to and most importantly, if the Easter bunny had visited their house and left some eggs for them.

This is what we are planning for the children this coming term.

Maths:

We are continuing to follow and learn with White Rose Education so will be looking at and consolidating our learning all about numbers from 10 - 20. As well as exploring adding and subtracting numbers, working on 2D and 3D shapes, sharing and grouping several objects [dividing], positional language [behind, under etc] and repeating patterns. Gosh, that is quite a lot of work for the children, but they have already touched on some of these areas so this term it will be reinforcing their knowledge and building on what they know.

Literacy:

Little Red Riding Hood makes an appearance this term in the guise of 'Little Red'. We are going to have a role play area – 'Granny's Cottage' where the children will be able to be Little Red, Grandma or the wolf and immerse themselves in this traditional tale with a slight twist.

Reading:

The children are continuing to learn through the Little Wandle scheme and will have their reading books to bring home each weekend. As previously, the children read their book in school for three sessions and then read them to you at home over the weekend. We hope that you will continue to help support them in their journey to become confident readers. If you have any concerns or queries about your child's reading, then please don't hesitate to get in touch to discuss how we can offer further assistance/advice.

We will also be adding a few extra books into their reading folders each week. These are **optional** but we know that some children are really raring to go and keen to attempt more books at their level. Please do make their Little Wandle books their priority in the first instance.

Phonics:

This term we will be starting on phase 4 phonics of the Little Wandle scheme where the children will learn longer words, words with endings – ed, ing, est, some new compound words i.e. windmill, handstand, etc and our final set of tricky words. We will continue to keep going over all sounds and tricky words learnt previously to ensure that the children have these embedded and so enable them to have greater confidence to progress with their learning.

Other Areas:

We are hoping to plan a visit to church during this term to have a look at its features, make boats in DT, find out about floating and sinking in science, do lots of printing through artwork, continue developing our computing skills using Beebot as well as having a go at sorting data on the laptops. P.E. continues on a Monday and Friday, when we will be working on our ball skills.

Snack money for this term is either £13 for the full term or £6 this half term and £7 after the Whit holiday break. If you could kindly send the money [cash] in a named envelope that would be most appreciated, thank you.

If you have any questions or queries, then please feel free to contact us.

With best wishes,

Miss Ridge and Mrs Bradley