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Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Welcome back, I hope you all enjoyed the half term! As we enter the fourth term, we are still very lucky to have Miss Stuart with us, who will be teaching Class 1 on a Tuesday, and Miss Welsh as Class 1 and 2's shared teaching assistant.

Sport: This term, PE lessons will take place on Tuesday (inside) and Thursday (outdoor) afternoons. Please ensure your child has full PE kit in school for both of these days. In Addition to this, Bradley Stoke Youth FC are providing 3 football coaching sessions to Year 1 on the last three Fridays of term (starting 20.03) and so they will need suitable outdoor PE kit in on these days too.

Topic: Our topic this term is 'What if dinosaurs were not extinct?' with our accompanying English book being 'Dear Dinosaur' by Chae Strathie. This topic will act as a theme for learning across all areas of the curriculum. For more information on this, please see the attached curriculum map.

Reading: Reading with your child at home is a great way you can support your child's learning at home, so please continue to do so at least three times a week and **make a note of this in their reading record**. These will be checked on a Friday and if they have read three times a week since the last Friday they'll be able to take part in a small treat at the end of Friday afternoon. Thank you to the parents who have already given up their time to listen to children read so far. **If anyone else is interested in coming into school to listen to children read at a time that suits you we would be very grateful, please just let myself or the office know.**

Rockets: We will continue to issue Reading and Spelling Rockets for your child to practise at home. These spellings will continue to be tested on a Friday. Their ability to read these words is also important so please practice this skill with them as well. Your child will also have a new Fluency Fish in their home learning folders which will be tested at the end of this term.

Pick 'n' mix homework: As with last term's homework, this is optional and is designed to help you and your child share learning together in a fun and creative way (please see attached homework). Children can bring in homework at any point throughout the term to be shared on a Friday as part of show and tell. Achievements that the children have accomplished can also be shared as part of Friday's show and tell (sporting achievements, Beavers and Rainbows badges etc).

Please can all reading books and records come into school every day. Please can reading and spelling rockets come back into school every Friday.

As always, if you would like to discuss any of the information here in further detail, or have any questions about anything at all, please do come and speak to me after school or request a phone call through the office.

Best wishes,

Holly Weir