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Dear Parents

We hope you all had a good summer holiday and your child has come back refreshed and ready for all that the Autumn term has to bring!

Autumn Term in Kingfisher Class



"The circus is coming to town"

We are looking forward to an exciting term investigating animals and habitats in science. In history and English, we will begin by looking at circuses over time, starting with Roman times to the present day. We will investigate famous clowns and write biographies. Further details are outlined in the curriculum topic chart attached.

If you have anything that may be of interest for our studies, please let us know.

PE Kit Reminder

PE kits need to be in school **every day**. Please check that your child has the correct, **labelled** kit in school (i.e. navy shorts, white t-shirt, daps and socks). For outdoor PE children will need suitable footwear and black or navy tracksuit/jogging trousers.

Project Work

In line with our amended home learning policy, following the parent questionnaire, Mrs Genner will be sending out a grid of ideas for topic related homework, from week two. We will have a rota for "Show and Tell" of this work in terms 1 and 2 for the children, allocating them a specific date to share their efforts.

Reading at home

During the first term children in Reception year will be encouraged to visit the school library. They will be able to take a book home and share at home with you. These will not be leveled reading books as we want to encourage children to enjoy, share and love a good book before we expect them to read themselves. You will also find a bookmark in the front of the Home contact book outlining reading objectives appropriate for each year group.

Water bottles

Please send a **named** water bottle to school each day.

Helping in school.

As always, we really welcome offers of help in the classroom, particularly in the afternoons and to listen to children read or to help and supervise their use of the computers. If you think you can spare half an hour or more then please come and talk with us. Also, there are other jobs such as gardening or tidying/organising the library that you may wish to volunteer for. We really appreciate any help you can offer even if it is just one afternoon a term as we know how busy you all are. This does not need to be a weekly commitment. We would just love to have you come in!

Thank you for your continued support.

If you have any concerns please do not hesitate to come in.

Mrs Maria Genner and Mrs Carol Burton