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Dear Parents,

Firstly, may we welcome you all back for an exciting Spring term. We had a fantastic term in Autumn learning all about our local area and then moving onto an exciting topic, Christmas through the times. We started the term with a WOW day where the children had great fun making pot banks using real clay. During art they made Willow Pattern plates linked to our literacy text, "The Willow Pattern" and teapots linked to our non-fiction text "Who made this teapot?" To celebrate Christmas through the times we took the children to Englesy Brook, where they experienced school life and Christmas as a Victorian child. During our creative arts week the children created some fantastic artwork which can be seen on our displays.

### Spring Topic

Our topic for this term is "seasonal changes". We will be learning lots about hot and cold places which will be linked to our literacy texts, "Say hello to the snowy animals", "The Snow Lambs" and "Handa's Surprise." As we encourage children to continue their learning at home, it would be greatly appreciated if you could help your child research their topic. After half term our science topic is Growing Plants and we will be visiting Amerton farm to learn about Spring time.

### Reading Folder

Children are asked to bring their reading book and diary into school everyday. Your child will be read with once a week and will bring home a new reading book each week. They will also bring home spellings to learn. It is very important that you listen to your child read at home each day and practice spellings. The diary MUST be signed each week to show that you have read with your child.

### PE Kits

PE days are Monday and Friday. Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school everyday and that it is clearly marked with the child's name. In addition, on PE lesson days please ensure that all jewellery is removed. All earrings must be removed on PE days as staff are not permitted to remove earrings.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your support,

The Year 1 Team

