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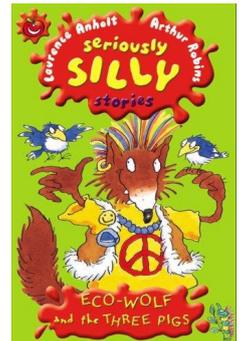
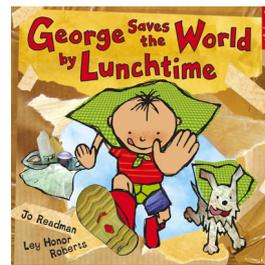
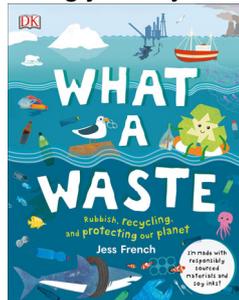
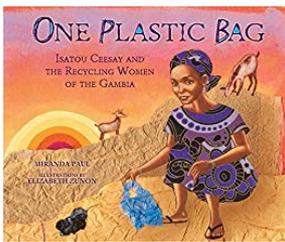
Dear Parents and Grandparents,

Welcome back!

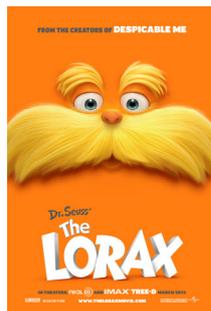
I hope you have all had a fabulous summer and it has been lovely welcoming back all your children, as well as saying hello to a few new faces too! Alexandra (Yr 1), Jayden (Yr 2) and Percy (Yr 2) have all joined our class and I know that they will soon be firm friends with all your children. I'm sure you will help in welcoming their families too, it can be daunting being a new parent in the playground!

PLANET EARTH S.O.S

Our topic for the next term and a half is 'Planet Earth S.O.S'. Your children are already embracing learning and investigating the impact humans are having on the planet. Here are some of the fabulous books that we will be exploring during our learning journey;



We will also be using selected clips from the two animated films, 'The Lorax' and 'Wall-e'.



They are films with powerful messages addressing climate issues.

Reading

Your child is given a reading diary and brings home their school reading book daily. We ask that you support your child's reading as often as possible.

Remember reading takes many forms; reading to you, reading with your child, reading to your child, spotting signs as you're driving and many more.

Choose a time that works for you. Your child is tired after a day at school and picking the right time sometimes needs to be carefully negotiated!

Inside the reading diary you will find the phonic sounds your child needs to learn and the common exception words (words that come up a lot in reading but usually can't easily be sounded out). Take some time to practise a few of these too.

Look out for the 'Race around the world' reading challenge tick sheet at the front of the reading diary. We appreciate family life is busy and to make things easier you can sign your initials, if you are short of time, to show your child has read.



Each term, your child will receive a collection of activities that you can choose to do at home. They are fun and hands on, ensuring the activities lend themselves to all styles of learning. These are not compulsory but you are encouraged to at least carry out one of the suggested activities with your child.

Feel free to come up with other ideas for learning at home – your ideas might be better than mine! In the last week of term, we have a 'home learning sharing afternoon', where children celebrate all their fabulous creations and ideas.

Listen out for lots of different ways your child's uniqueness has been celebrated at school:-

- House points
- Marbles in the jar
- Reaching the rainbow
- Stickers
- Learning wheels
- Weekly V.I.P
- WOW moments



Please support your child in remembering to bring the following items to school each day;

Wellies (you can leave these at school)

Water bottle (just water please!)

Reading books and reading folders

P.E kit (you can leave this at school)

Coat

Jumper

Lastly, please come and grab me for a chat anytime, the door is always open!

Kindest regards,

Mrs Philippa Gatehouse.