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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and a Happy New Year to you all!

Piglet class have another busy term planned which I am sure you will be eager to hear about. Working in our classroom this term will be primarily myself and Mrs Kerrison in the mornings. Mrs Smith will also be visiting our class on a Tuesday afternoons to teach the children during my PPA time. We will also have the help and support of Mrs Crisp on a Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon and Mrs Clarke on a Friday afternoon.

As I'm sure you are aware school is open from 8:50am and I would appreciate it if you could aim to have your children in class as close to this time as possible.

We will be having PE on a Thursday afternoon. All children will need a PE kit which consists of a white t-shirt, blue shorts and trainers in school. Alongside this your child will need a warm coat and wellies in school daily as they have access to our outdoor area in all weathers.

Piglet class spend time at Dandelion Nursery on a Monday afternoon and must have wellies in school to make use of this opportunity. Unfortunately we do not have enough wellies for all of the children to borrow.

All children will be taking a school book home to read and share with yourselves. I appreciate that not all children will yet be able to read but it is still important that you share this book with them and discuss aspects of the story with your child. Reading at home should be supported and encouraged and I would like to see evidence of children reading at home at least three times a week within their reading record. We will be supporting this by reading 1:1 with every child once a week and recording this in their reading record. We will also have four guided reading sessions per week which will engage children with books and teach them valuable reading strategies.









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If your child is in Year One or Two they will be receiving weekly spellings of tricky and high frequency words to do at home. I will be collecting these on a Monday, marking them and giving the children new words to practice at home during the following week. Please support your child in doing these.

We still have our 14th member of Piglet class - Rosie Pig who will be coming home with a child every evening due to their efforts and learning strategies used that day. Rosie comes home with a diary and we love hearing all about what your child and Rosie get up to during her visit. Your child shares their diary entry with the class during snack time on the following day. Please encourage and support your child with their writing, when completing their diary entry.

This term our theme is 'People who help us'. Our philosophy question underpinning all of our work is 'How can we make a difference?'. Please feel free to discuss this with your child and please don't hesitate to jot down your responses and let me know! I would love to hear your thoughts!

Please remember that we are here for you and your child. Do not hesitate to ask any questions and address any concerns you have. I am always available before and after school for contact in person or via the telephone.

Thank you for your support in these matters.

Miss Crane









Maths	Maths will be taught using the relevant curriculum for your children - Early Years Foundation Stage or the National Curriculum. Initially receptions will be practicing reciting numbers, counting objects, recognising numbers and ordering numbers. The key stage One children will be focusing on number, place value, calculation and fractions.
English	We will be learning how to write Acrostic poems and putting this into practice. We will also be learning about story writing through a Talking Text using actions to re-tell our story. We will be focusing on the characters, setting and ordering the five main parts. We will also be looking at Recounts for our non-fiction text type. We will be changing all Talking Texts and the children will be creating their own innovated versions. We will also be focusing on writing sentences that have capital letters, finger spaces and full stops and including interesting language.
Phonics	All of the children within Piglet class will be partaking in daily phonics sessions in a relevant phase of the Letters and Sounds phonics programme. Please contact me if you would like more information on the specific phase your child is learning.
Theme (Science,Art,History, Geography,ICT,DT)	Our theme of 'How can we make a difference?' will start by thinking about who and what makes a difference to us now? We will be focusing on the public services. We will then go on to think about how we can make a difference to ourselves or our friends or family and how. Finally we will move to our local community and how we can help within it. Can Piglet class help? All of our learning this term will be based around our topic of people. We will be looking at People and doing portraits in Art, In Geography we will be focusing on maps, in History we will be looking at the similarities and differences of people over time. In science we will be looking at the human lifecycle, human body, what we need for survival and the importance of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.
PE	This term we will be looking at gymnastics and games. PE lessons will involve developing the skills of running, jumping, throwing, balancing, agility, co-ordination and using these skills in team games. Piglet class will do PE every Thursday afternoon please ensure your child has the correct kit in school.









Music	We will be having music lessons with a specialist music teacher for half an hour every Friday afternoon. We also have a singing assembly once a week and for 10 minutes a day I will be introducing a Rhythm and Rhyme session.
PSHE/ Philosophy	We will be having weekly PATHS and Philosophy lessons. The PATHS curriculum will start by establishing the class rules. Over the term we will learn the routines of being a PATHS pupil and giving and receiving compliments. We will talk about our feelings and emotions and how we can manage these. In philosophy we will be looking at the skills of learning to learn and bigger questions.
RE	In RE we will be exploring the term 'belonging'. We will be exploring comparisons and diversity and ways of expressing meaning.







