Apple Class Spring 2020

Dear Parents and Friends,

We hope that you enjoyed a happy and relaxing Christmas break. Welcome to Poppy Rimmer and her family as she joins Apple Class. This term our work will start with a Learning Journey about dinosaurs and continue with work centred around the beautiful book: 'The Lost Words.' Please see the information grid on the reverse of this letter for further details.

P.E. will continue to be on a **Monday** and **Friday**. All children should have their full P.E. kit in school all week. Please ensure that **all** items are named as they often seem to get muddled up! Long hair should always be tied back, please. Small plain stud earrings may be worn, but please ensure they are **removed or covered** for PE days, sports days etc.

Please make sure that your child has a named pair of trainers and wellies for playtimes.

We are excited to remind you that Apple Class will now take part in weekly forest school sessions on a Thursday afternoon in the school grounds. Please ensure children bring clothes to change into every Thursday in named bag. (See previously sent forest schools letter)

Show and Tell will continue to take place each **Wednesday**: small and special items only for showing please. Animal Groups will continue to take it in turns: see previously sent letter. Squirrels will start on Wednesday 8th January.

Your child will bring their book bag home every day-please check it for any letters or comments we have made in their reading record book. We would like to encourage you to share a book every day with your child-just 5 or 10 minutes a day will be very valuable. Please continue to practise the children's sounds and tricky words in their phonics packs. We will be adding to these regularly and practising at home little and often is beneficial.

Please feel free to come and see us if you wish to discuss anything: your comments and support are greatly appreciated. After school is a good time to do this, especially on a Wednesday. We are sure that 2020 will be an enjoyable and productive year for us all.

Best wishes,

Alison Chilton and Laura Plackett