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Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I must begin by saying a huge thank you for all our wonderful end of year gifts. We felt truly spoilt! I hope you have all had a wonderful summer and are looking forward to the new school year. The children have come back enthusiastic and ready to learn which is brilliant!

Curriculum Information

We will kick off this term with a week of getting to know each other activities where we can spend some time familiarising ourselves with our environment and routines. We will then begin our 'Down Under' learning journey, which will offer lots of exciting learning opportunities across the curriculum. Please see the attached 'Curriculum Map' sheet which gives more information about how this topic will link with the rest of the curriculum.

Requests and Reminders

Our PE sessions are on Tuesday and Thursday. Please make sure every item in your child's PE is clearly labelled with their name.

Home Learning

In Ruby class, children will be given a home learning folder to store their weekly sheets. Home learning will be given out on Monday to be completed by the following Monday. Children will be rewarded with stickers, small prizes and certificates for trying their best with their home learning.

<u>Maths</u>

At the start of each new term children will be sent home with a 'Key Instant Recall Facts' sheet. This sheet shows the facts to be learnt that term, alongside some suggestions of how to practise them. In addition to this, each week a sheet will be sent home with activities to support the learning of the term's Key Instant Recall Facts.

Spelling

On Monday each week, children will complete a personalised spelling quiz. The spellings children were unsure of will be sent home to be practised during the week. These spellings will be sent home in the children's home learning folders alongside their weekly maths activities.

Reading

Please read at home with your child as regularly as possible and record this in their yellow reading records. These records will be checked regularly so are an excellent form of communication between home and school.

Show and tell

'Show and tell' will happen on Thursday afternoons. A timetable of when your child's show and tell will occur will be sent home with this letter. In Ruby class, our show and tell items must be about our current topic. We especially like to see home-made items inspired by our in-class learning.

Finally, if you have any questions or concerns about anything at all, please do come and speak to me. I am available after school and will always be willing to arrange an appointment.

Yours sincerely

Miss Foster