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Dear Parents/Carers,

Hello and welcome to a new academic year in Hazel Class. It has been lovely to get to know the lovely children in Hazel Class. They have settled into the school routine remarkably well and we are already enjoying our topic 'Pirates.' You will see a summary of some of the activities we will be doing on the curriculum map attached with this letter.

I will also send this term's timetable with this letter. You will notice that we now have sessions called 'Personal, Social and Independence' and in these we will be doing activities that focus on working towards the personal and communication targets on the children's IEPs in a variety of situations including cooking and horticulture. Hopefully they will be fun sessions in which week on week children can build their skills.

Some general points:

- P.E- We will be doing PE on a Thursday afternoon so please could you ensure your child has their PE kits in school. They will need shorts/tracksuit bottoms, t-shirt and trainers/plimsolls.
- Cooking- We will be cooking on Monday afternoons. This term we are working together to create pasta dishes (although our first session is sandwiches!), with each child having a specific role that they will do each week and so will be able to do with increasing independence over the course of the term. If you are able to send in a voluntary contribution of £10 to cover the cost of cooking for this term that'd be very much appreciated. Please could you send in a labelled, container so that we can send the final dish home.



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- Lunch time- The children are still eating lunch in the classroom with class staff so it is a perfect opportunity to focus on any targets/areas of needs linked to eating, trying different foods etc. So if you have anything specific you'd like us to work on, please let us know and we can work on it together.
- Clothing- Children do go outside to play every day unless we are experiencing extreme weather so please ensure your child has the appropriate outside clothing. If they could have a waterproof coat with them each day that'd be great – we all know how changeable the weather can be even on days when you think it is going to be dry all day. We will also be doing horticulture on a Wednesday so if you would like your child to wear wellies while they are doing this please do send them in. Please make sure clothing has clear name labels.
- Home-school diary. We will try to write each day in these books so you know what your child has been doing at school – due to time constraints however it may not always be possible to do this but we will do our very best. We do see it as a two-way communication so please feel free to write in it if you have information we need to know, questions or something to celebrate.
- Reading Books –We will send home 3 books: a decodable book, a book for comprehension and a reading for pleasure book. If you read with your child, please fill in the reading record so we can change the reading book if appropriate. Reading at home should be a cheerful and successful experience so please let me know if you feel like the books are too easy/hard. Please don't feel like your child should read the entire book to you in one sitting; I am happy for one page a night/taking it in turns /re-reading the same book on repeat until fluency is gained/any games that motivate and make it a happy experience. You can also still access books online at our online library. The link for which can be found here
<https://www.fitzwaryn.oxon.sch.uk/page/?title=Online+Library&pid=56>

If you have any questions, or wish to talk to a member of staff, please do not hesitate to contact us by phone or through the home school diary.

With best wishes,
 From all the Hazel Class Staff.

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