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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Oak Class!

We hope you all had a restful and pleasant summer and we are sure you are invigorated and excited for all the upcoming events of another year. We would like to say a big welcome to our new children Jayda and Joel who have already made lots of friends.

Oak class

The adults working in Oak class will be Mrs Daynes (Monday - Thursday), Miss Norbury (Friday), Mrs Reynolds and Mrs Fenwick.

Mrs Daynes ☺

I have been teaching for 15 years now and I have 2 Master Degrees, a BA degree and also gained a diploma in Graphic Design. I am married and have a very cheeky 7-year old daughter Amelia who is obsessed with Harry Potter and Marvel. We have a puppy called Quill who is very mischievous. I love everything Italian and I am trying to learn the language so I will be able to order pizza and ice creams next time I visit Italy. I am an avid reader and I am famous for reading 4-5 books at the same time. My favourite food is sushi and peanut butter (not together though!). I am very happy to be teaching Oak class this year as well as leading Reading and School Council.

Topic

Our topic this term is called 'Discovering Dinosaurs'. We will be exploring dinosaurs, fossils and rocks, learning about prehistoric times and having a go at cave paintings and creating shelters. We will also study bones and teeth and learn interesting facts about nutrition.

Trips and celebrations

We have planned a trip to Peterborough museum linked to our topic, more details to follow.

We will also be celebrating our learning by hosting a dino-mite afternoon for parents and carers. We would love it if you could join in with our activities and have a look at what we have been up to. The initial date for the celebration is the 11th October from 2.15pm. Further details will follow but please keep this date in mind.

PE

Our PE day will be on Monday. It would be helpful if PE kits were brought in on a Monday and taken home on a Friday in case we need it at other times during the week. Please make sure all the items are named.

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Spellings

Children will have 10 spellings to learn which will be given out on Fridays and then tested the following Friday. We expect children to score at least 7 out of 10 words so please make sure they practise their spellings daily. An extension task will be provided to add additional challenge but is not compulsory.

Homework

A short English and maths task will be given out on a Thursday to be completed and handed in by the following Tuesday.

Reading

Home reading makes up a crucial part of children's progress and confidence, therefore we expect children to read at least 5 times a week at home with an adult. Each child will have a home reading diary for the adult to write in as a record. We will also be reading together and listening to children read at school every day.

E-Mail

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to speak to me at the end of the day or email me at ndaynes@folksworth.cambs.sch.uk.

Finally, we are incredibly excited for the year ahead and hope you and your child are too. We are going to have an amazing year with lots of fun, learning and exploring!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Daynes

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