



**Welcome to Ants class**  
 'Working together and helping each other learn'  
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*'Do unto others as you  
 would have them do to  
 you'*

(Luke 6:31)

Dear Parents.

Welcome back. I hope you have all had a lovely Easter break. Our topic this term is Once Upon a Time. In Understanding of the world we will be looking at plants and planting seeds to establish our vegetable garden. Next week our own live caterpillars will be arriving for the class to nurture and observe as they change into butterflies. This will link into our class trip to Heartwood Forest (details to follow). We will be exploring habitats, mini beasts and plant life in the paddock which will be great fun.



### A reminder of our Golden Rules

**We are gentle.** We don't hurt others.

**We are kind and helpful.** We don't hurt anybody's feelings.

**We listen.** We don't interrupt.

**We are honest.** We don't cover up the truth.

**We work hard.** We don't waste our own time or others' time.

**We look after property.** We don't waste or damage things.

We follow a pictorial version of the school's Behaviour System in class to ensure a fair and consistent approach is implemented.

### Reminders

- **Water Bottles**

Please bring in a named water bottle, with a sports cap which can be taken home each day, washed and refilled. The children have access to these at all times and are also reminded regularly to have a drink.

- **Reading Books**

Please ensure that your child reads **at home on a daily basis**. Through reading books they are able to develop their literacy skills.

Finally the weather is changing and we will be working in the outside area every day, so please ensure your child has a suitable coat, shoes and sun hat.

### Dates to remember:

Tuesday 2 May 2.30pm-3.30pm Maypole dancing on Top School playground

Friday 12 May Bags 2 School collection from Top School

Friday 26 May (eve) PTA Disco

Monday 29 May- Friday 2 June Half term break

Monday 5 June INSET day - children not in school

Tuesday 6 June Children return to school at normal time

Thursday 8 June Photographer in school for individual and sibling photos

Saturday 24 June 12.00pm-3.00pm Summer Fair

Thursday 29 June 9.30am-11.30am Sports morning

Monday 3 July 9.30am-11.30am Reserve sports morning

Tuesday 4 July Creation Day

Friday 7 July 9.00am Ants sharing assembly to parents

Thursday 13 July Class swap day

Friday 14 July 9.30am-11.30am Image Theatre in school - The Selfish Giant

Friday 14 July (eve) PTA BBQ and camp out

Thursday 20 July 6.00pm Leavers' Service in church

Friday 21 July School ends at 2.00pm

This half term we will be starting a new topic 'All around us'. Below is a breakdown of the subjects we will be focusing on each week.

**Week 1/2**- Little Red Riding Hood

**Week 3** - On the way home

**Week 4** The very hungry caterpillar

**Week 5** - Mini beasts

