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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the summer term. We hope you all had a restful holiday. Our topic this term is **'Marvellous Minibeasts.'** We have a very exciting term ahead which includes a trip to Hale farm.

We will be using the entertaining story books *'The very Busy Spider'* by Eric Carle and *'Superworm'* by Julia Donaldson to help support our writing and story telling skills.

As always, children are welcome to bring in books that are related to the current topic. Please ensure that any books coming into school are named.

For more details on the rest of our learning this term, please see the topic web on our class page.

Hale Farm Visit

Mr and Mrs Belcher have very kindly invited us to visit their farm to see the calves and lambs. We will be walking to the farm , visiting the animals, and then walking back to school for a picnic lunch.

Trip Details:

When : **Wednesday 22 April 2026**

Time: **9:10am – 11:40 am**

Clothes: **PE Kit with waterproof trousers, waterproof coat, and Wellies.**

Picnic: **Packed lunch-** Please bring in a packed lunch and water bottle for your child. Include a sandwich, fruit snack, and a small treat. If you are unable to provide a packed lunch, please speak to your class teacher.

Be Aware – It is advised that women who are, or think they may be pregnant, should avoid close contact with sheep and lambs during lambing season due to infection risks. For this reason, the children will not be touching the animals but will be observing them in their pens. We will ensure that the children wash their hands when they leave the farm.

Reminders

PE days:

Our PE day is Wednesday.

Children should come dressed in warm (long trousers and hoodies) PE clothes and sensible trainers on their PE day. Please remember that long hair should be tied up and earrings should be covered with tape.



'Love one another, as I have loved you' John 13 v34

Toys from home - Please **DO NOT** bring toys into school, as they may be lost or broken.

Reading at home - Please continue to read with your child **daily** and remember to bring in reading books to be changed on the correct day.

Outdoor clothing - Please ensure that your child has a named **waterproof** coat and wellies in school for rainy days. We are hoping to experience sunnier days, please also ensure that any hats and sunglasses are named. We cannot guarantee that sunglasses don't get lost or broken.

Suncream will need to be applied before they come to school. Please **do not** send in any suncream to school as we have children with allergies. If your child requires an extra layer of cream during the day, please hand it in to the office and fill out the usual medicine form.

Please be aware that reception newsletters and announcements usually come from beech class email, but they are intended for both classes.

As always, if you have any concerns or need to make us aware of anything urgent, then do come and speak to us. We are normally available at the end of the day for a quick chat, or send us an email at beech@benison.oxon.sch.uk or elm@benison.oxon.sch.uk

Best wishes,

Mrs White and Mr Morris