



Glendale Infant School
January 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians YR Children

Welcome to the Spring Term.

This term we will be consolidating and extending the basic skills which were acquired by the children during the Autumn Term. As before, the children will be working in small groups, individually and as a whole class. They will be encouraged to think about what they are doing and to make their own decisions in the classroom.

This term we will be asking the children what topics they would like to learn about in order to give them the opportunity to have a more active role in their learning. During each topic we will ask the children what aspects they want to cover. We will also be covering Winter, Easter and baby animals. We may ask the children to bring things into school to enhance our topics. A visit to Ash End House Children's Farm in April has been arranged – further information will follow later in the term.

All children will continue to bring home a book to read this term. We would ask you to spend a little time each night sharing the book with your child and ask them questions about the book to help extend their understanding. We are going to introduce 'speed read' cards – 'tricky words' – more information to follow. Children who are encouraged at home make good progress and also gain in confidence at school.

Basic Maths and English work will continue throughout the term, embedded in active learning and play based experiences with extension work as appropriate. All other subject areas will be covered through our topics.

If you haven't already done so, please can you send in your child's snack money for this term.

May we remind you that the classroom doors open at 8.50a.m. and that the children should be in school by 8.55a.m., ready to start lessons at 9.00a.m. If for any reason you are going to be late, please let us know. Reception classes finish school at 2.55.p.m. **If there is no-one to collect your child by 3.00p.m. he/she will be put into our After School club while we try to contact you.** If he/she is collected before 3.15p.m. the charge will be **£1.00**, any later and the full charge of **£2.50** will be made.

On occasion children have accidents in school and they have to be changed, particularly in Reception. We are asking parents to send in a spare pair of pants and socks, to be kept in PE bags just in case they are needed. If we have to use spare clothing from school, please can you wash it and return it to us. Thank you.

Although all the children have settled well into school and are happy, please feel free to come and discuss any worries or problems with us either before or after school.

We are looking forward to finding out what topics the children want to learn about this term.

Thank you for your continued support.

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