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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the Autumn Term and to Year 1. The children are starting to settle into the routines for the new year group and have been very enthusiastic about their learning.

Topic

The term is underway and already we have plans for a very exciting topic. We are kick-starting our year with 'Amazing Animals', learning all about different animals, their habitats and animals from the past - including dinosaurs! I have attached the Year 1 topic web which shows how the various subjects link with this topic, as well as other areas of the curriculum we hope to cover this term. As part of our Amazing Animals topic, we are also hoping to organise a trip to Shepreth Wildlife Park later this half term - more information will follow.

Additional Adults

Our additional adults in Willow Class are Miss Smith, Mrs Pugh and Tommy. We are very lucky that Miss Smith will be with the class every morning and Tommy will be with us for some time during the afternoons. Mrs Pugh will be with the class first thing on Tuesday mornings to teach PE.

P.E

In PE, the class will be covering a wide range of skills, but our main focus this term will be Team Building and Fundamentals. The children will require their PE kit; a plain red T-shirt, shorts or tracksuit bottoms, a navy or black sweatshirt and suitable footwear for outside activities. We are asking that children come in already dressed in their P.E kit on their allocated P.E days. Our set days for P.E are **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**.

Forest School

As with all KS1 classes, we will be taking part in weekly Forest School sessions at the moat. These sessions will take place during Friday afternoons with Mrs Bonham. The children should wear school uniform on these days. Please could you supply a waterproof coat/jacket. We are able to provide the children with waterproof trousers, however the children are welcome to bring their own in. As the weather begins to change through the term, it is important that the children bring wellies or similar footwear, in order to avoid bringing too much of the outdoors back into the classroom and corridors!

Home Learning

As part of our Little Wandle Reading and Phonics program, the children will bring home a reading book each week. This should be practised at home and brought back in the following week. Please do remember to bring the books back to school, as they may be needed for another group of children the following week. Please also find attached further information regarding the Little Wandle programme; we will be starting our Little Wandle program next week.

This term promises to be a busy time with lots of fun activities planned. In the meantime, if you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to discuss them with us.

Best wishes,

Sophie Elwood and Maggie Webb

