Welcome back everyone! We hope you had a happy Easter, spent a relaxing time with friends and family, and ate too much chocolate!

Our topic this half term is called ‘Whatever the Weather’, where we will be looking at the changing seasons, climates and weather both at home and abroad. I am currently trying to arrange an exciting school trip; I will let you know about this very soon!

Homework will continue to be sent home on Fridays and expected in the following Wednesday. Reading books will go home every day with the expectation that every child reads to an adult for 5 minutes a day. Research has long shown the impact this has on a child’s attainment, in all areas of the curriculum! There will be some phonics worksheets in addition, with flash cards of new sounds to be learnt too. Please take a moment with your child to practise these sounds. It is important to us that children see learning as an enjoyable and rewarding experience that they can share with their families, rather than an onerous task!

PE is still on Mondays and Tuesdays, and it will often be outdoors. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit, including a hoody or jacket. This is to be brought into school on a Monday, and will be sent home again on a Friday. Please make sure all kit is clearly marked – we still have items going walk-about!

As we are continuing to foster independence and a sense of responsibility in the children, may I kindly ask that Year 1 enter the building by themselves and arrange their belongings, as they know how. Foundation children may still be accompanied into the cloakroom by their grown-ups at this stage, but please let them come into the classroom by themselves. Home School Records should be placed in the yellow tray every day, and reading books stay in book bags, which are kept in the children’s drawers. This way, they can access what they need at any time. If for any reason you need to speak to us, please do not hesitate to call us over. If you need to speak to us at greater length about any concerns you have, you are more than welcome to make an appointment.

Thanking you for your continued support.

Cook Class team