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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of a new school year. I hope you have all enjoyed your summer holidays and I am sure I will hear all about what the children have been up to.

I wanted to take the opportunity to share some important information with yourselves, including information about the learning which will be happening as well as important information you need to know about daily life at school.

#### Wonderful Weather

This term our topic is called '**Wonderful Weather**'. In English, we will be looking at fantastic texts such as Pumpkin soup, Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain and Percy the Park Keeper. We will use these texts to provide high quality learning opportunities to support your child's reading and writing skills. In geography the children will immerse themselves in the weather and become Sutterton's very own news reporters. They will be learning about daily weather conditions and what weather is typical for each season. They will look at what clothing is typical for each season. Then the children will have the opportunity to become explorers they will delve into some extreme climates such as deserts, rainforests and the Arctic and how animals and plants adapt to survive in this weather. In science we will first be looking at the seasons and we will go on to discovering which animals live in which habitats. In art we will be focusing on the artist Andy Goldsworthy who is famous for his art sculptures created with nature. Regents will have a chance at producing their own sculptures using a natural material called clay. In PSHE the children will be discussing the similarities and differences between their families and what qualities are important to have in a family. In RE children will be focusing on the Creation story and how God created the world in 7 days.

#### Personal Belongings

Please can you make sure that **everything** is clearly labelled with your child's name (forename and surname) so we are able to return any lost items to the correct child. If your child has lost something, please tell them to check our lost property box.

#### P.E.

Please can we make sure PE Kits are back in school the first week of term ready for your child's first PE session on **7<sup>th</sup> September**. Our PE sessions are twice a week on a **Tuesday** and **Thursday**. Your child should bring their P.E. kit into school, where they will get changed into it for our P.E. sessions. If your child wears earrings, could I please ask that they are removed before school in order to keep your child safe.

#### Homework

Each week your child will be set homework. Every child has a blue homework folder, and this is where their homework will be. Please ensure all homework is back in school the following **Thursday**. All homework which has been handed in on time will get 2 dojo points. Please remember to remind your child to hand their homework in. Your child will also

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have maths homework set via the online app Sumdog. Log ins for your child's Sumdog account can be found in the inside page of their reading record.

#### Reading Books

##### Sharing Book

Your child will change their sharing book on a **Monday and Friday**. Please ensure your child brings their sharing book back to school on both days so they can be changed.

##### Phonics Book

Your child will read their phonics book three times a week within school. Your child will then bring their new phonics book home on a Wednesday. This book is based on your child's phonics level which has been decided from their assessment. Please make sure your child's previous phonics book is in school on the Wednesday morning so we can issue their new one.

If you have any questions, worries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me via Class Dojo. I look forward to seeing you all.

Kind Regards,  
Miss Maclean

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