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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back everyone. I hope you all enjoyed the Easter break. We have a very exciting and full summer term ahead of us and I wanted to share some of what we will be doing in school as you may wish discuss this with your children at home.



Next week the whole school will have Pulham Science Week. During this week, we will be using Polar Exploration as a basis for our studies, thinking of ourselves as Polar Explorers. In Dolphin Class our investigations we will include animal adaptations and climate change. Hopefully we will have a few non-human visitors too!

At the end of last term, the children discussed the idea of planting and growing vegetables, fruit and flowers at school to harvest later in the summer for a class picnic. We all got quite excited at the idea so we will be growing some of the veggies, fruits and flowers the children suggested and we will be investigating how plants grow as well as where some of our food comes from. The children were particularly interested in bananas, of which we will investigate in more depth using geography to explore where they come from and grow. We will also be discussing the history of bananas and how and when they came to the UK.

The Phonics Test is coming up after half term in June so the children will continue to practice and learn their sounds in RWInc sessions as well as other literacy session exercises and games. It is therefore incredibly important for your children to get as much reading practice at home as possible too to help them perform to their full potential. If you have any concerns that have not already been discussed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

In Maths, we will continue to build on our understanding of numbers from 0-100 and continue to develop our counting in multiples of 2s, 5s & 10s. We will be progressing our addition and subtraction as well as introducing the concepts of multiplication and division using objects and arrays.

Our last Forest Schools sessions will be 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Please ensure your children are prepared for outdoor learning and play. As the weather improves, sun protection and caps are advisable.

We will also be welcoming back our student teacher, Miss Berry this term. The children had a lovely time with her last term so I'm sure they will be very pleased to see her again.

And finally (for now!), on 8<sup>th</sup> May we will be taking part in The Big Sing which will be an amazing experience for all.

If you would like to contribute to the children's learning this term or if you have anything else you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to contact me [jlincoln@pulham.norfolk.sch.uk](mailto:jlincoln@pulham.norfolk.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely

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