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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the start of the Spring 2 Term. Remember if you have any queries you can request a chat at the end of the day. If you need to speak to Mrs Wilkinson, Mrs Gill or Mrs Blythe, please let us know when you get to the front of the line and we will ask you to wait with your child until all the children have been reunited with their parents. You can also email us with queries at the addressees below. Our topic this half term is **'What is the weather like and how do things grow?'** Please find a planning overview for this half term attached detailing the curriculum areas we will be covering. It also includes some general information.

#### Reading books:

**Reception children:** They will continue to have a 1-1 reading session with a Teacher each week (which could be any day) and they will all now be getting 3 books as follows:

1. **A phonics book** that **they read** to you. This will be at the correct level for your child's development in phonics and will be a book they have already read in school.
2. **A 'book bag' book** that is book that **we read** i.e. you and your child read this together. It will be matched to your child's phonic level but there may be a few tricky words or sounds they need your help with.
3. **A library or class book** that **you read** to them. This will be chosen by them and is just for their enjoyment.

It is really helpful if you sign the reading diary to say you have heard your child read and we love to see your comments about how they are getting on at home. **Please can you send back the Alphabet Lotto from last term (If you haven't already done so) and I will send another home phonics activity instead.**

**Nursery Children** will continue bring home a book regularly that they have chosen for you to share with them. Please read these to your child and encourage them to join in where they can.

**Please don't hesitate to request a chat with one of us after school, if you have any queries, however small about this or any other matters about your child. We are always happy to make a time to talk with you.**

Yours sincerely,



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