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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the start of the Summer Term. Remember if you have any queries, you can request a chat at the end of the day. If you need to speak to speak to Mrs Wilkinson, Mrs Gill or Mrs Hulbert, 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 for the whole term term is **Pirates and The Sea**. Please find a planning overview for this half term attached detailing the curriculum areas we will be covering. It also includes some general information.

In addition to this information, please ensure your child has a **coat in school every day** as the weather can still turn wet even on a sunny day. We also ask that Nursery children bring one portion of fruit each day as they are not covered by the school fruit scheme.

Nursery children will have their next parent consultations this term and for children who are starting in Reception in September this will include some information about how we teach reading in school. We will also be offering coffee morning or afternoon for all parents who would like to come in and see some of their child's work. **Please email me with suitable dates for me to meet with you individually.**

We will continue to assess where children are currently developing this term using our ongoing informal observations of them as we interact with them daily. In addition, we will continue to use the **Northumberland School Readiness Checker** at regular intervals (approximately every 6 months) to take a 'snapshot' of each child's development to make sure they are on track to be ready for Reception or Y1 when the time comes. If there are any areas of their development where we need to offer more support, we will of course be talking to you about this as our aim is to work in partnership with you to help them catch up. Reception children will be assessed against the National Early Learning Goals in June, and this data must be submitted to the Local Authority. As parents you will get a summary of this information included in your child's end of year report.

#### **Phonics Homework:**

Reception children can continue to have a book or game to take home to reinforce their phonics knowledge in a fun way. They all now also have their own Nessy Login to practice phonics on a phone or tablet if they want to. (if you haven't logged in yet at home go to <https://learn.nessy.com/account/login#/monkeyLogin>. The password is **Jellytoast** and then you just have to type in your child's first name (you may need to add the initial letter of their surname if there are other children in school with the same first name) to gain access. Go to the



section entitled Nessy Reading and Spelling to find their games. Please ask if you need any help with this.

**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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