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Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday, and have continued to enjoy the beautiful sunshine. The children have returned full of enthusiasm. We have been absolutely delighted with the positive attitude we have seen in the children.

Reading books

From today, the children will start to bring home reading books as we take another step forwards in establishing our usual school routines. All the children in KS2 will be given a plastic wallet to carry their reading materials. We are still not in a position to allow the children to bring any bags (other than book bags) into school.

Staffing

Last week, we welcomed Mrs Hollis back to Hope Brook as she has started her return to work. She is making a phased return as she is not yet ready to return to work full time. I know she is really pleased to be back. Some of you will already be aware that Pauline Freeman is currently unwell. She is going to be off work for several weeks so please bear with us if staffing arrangements look a little different in Breakfast Club and After School Club. We are sending Pauline our best wishes.

Outdoor learning

We have been very lucky with the weather this week – but can we please ask that the children wear clothes that cover their legs and tops with long sleeves for outdoor learning.

Parent Group

The next Parent Group meeting will take place on Tuesday 27th April at 2pm. The topic to be discussed at this meeting will be our approach to relationships, health and sex education. We are still looking for a parent from Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 to join this group. If you are interested in being a part of this group, please contact the school office admin@hopebrook.gloucs.sch.uk

Summer Term

We had fabulous weather last week and the children have been enjoying spending a bit more time outside. It feels timely to provide some reminders about sun safety. We encourage all the children to have a hat in school during the summer term. We will ensure all the children have regular access to drinks and will remind them to spend time in the shade when appropriate. We are happy for children to apply sunscreen during the day if they have a supply of sunscreen in school. (As always, we suggest any sunscreen is labelled with their name.) Let's hope this lovely weather continues.

Class pages

If you want to see what your children have been doing in school, the class pages on the school website are regularly updated with pictures and information. This week, I have seen some dramatic pictures of Kingfishers when they were doing some performance poems. I've seen Woodpeckers outdoor learning pictures and Wrens have been doing some interesting work on arrays.

Stay safe.

Stephanie Severn