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Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed a wonderful summer break. The children have settled well into their classes and we are all looking forward to the exciting learning opportunities that lie ahead this term.

This term our learning journey is 'Out of this world!'. We are going to be learning all about earth and space. Last week's visit from the mobile planetarium was a brilliant start to this topic, and the children were buzzing with thoughts and ideas after their experience.

The curriculum map outlines more about what your child will be learning this term.

Useful Information

<u>PE</u> Compton: Monday and Tuesday Plympton: Tuesday and Wednesday Berry Pomeroy: Wednesday

Please ensure your child has their full PE kit in school every day, including appropriate footwear. As the weather gets colder, please include tracksuit bottoms and a warm top to wear outside too. If your child does not have the appropriate kit in school, they will be unable to take part in their PE session due to health and safety reasons. Your child's class teacher will inform you each time your child does not have the appropriate kit.

Reading

We are keen to encourage a love of reading and so request that every child has an opportunity to read at home each day. At Key Stage 2, your child is responsible for changing their own book using our school library system. The library is open each day between 8.30 and 8.40am. You are able to take your child along to the library to change their book if you wish.

When your child has finished their book they will have the chance to complete a reading quiz. Children should be achieving above 80% on their quizzes in order to move up to the next level. This needs to be authorised by your child's teacher who will write the level onto their green library card. The children will complete the tests regularly as this will give more accurate reading level ranges. Please be aware that the test generate the levels based on the results of their quizzes. The more they read, the quicker the levels will increase.

<u>Homework</u>

More information to follow.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher. With best wishes, The Year 5/6 team

Miss. Reynolds and Mrs. Western