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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Lapwing Class! The children have made a wonderful start after the summer break and are now fully focused on their learning. In this letter I would like to give you some information about our learning and routines. I will teach the class from Monday to Thursday and Mrs Bedding will teach the class on Friday.

In **English**, we will begin the year by practising handwriting and descriptive writing. We will use various fairy and traditional tales as inspiration, and will then imitate and innovate the stories leading to their own independent work.

In **Maths**, we will cover a range of topics. We will start with place value and then move on to addition and subtraction followed by multiplication and division. Times-table tests will normally be carried out on Fridays - please encourage your child to learn and recite them to you!

In **Science**, we will learn about animals (including humans) and how we classify them, and then we will learn about light and how it moves and is reflected.

In **Computing**, we will develop the children's keyboard skills and then look at coding. In **History**, we will study the life of George Stephenson and his inventions. After half-term, we will move on to **Geography** and study *Around the World*. The full range of topics can be found on the attached Topic Overview.

Our whole-school **Value of the Term** is *Responsibility*, which will be integrated with our other learning.

Homework will normally be set on Fridays on Google Classroom, to be completed by the following Wednesday. Children should also read daily. Our main **PE** day is Wednesday, starting with *Football*. On PE days, please send your child to school wearing their PE kit. On days when we don't do PE, we will usually do the Daily Mile.

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's learning, please get in touch via the school office, office@beckleyschool.org on the school telephone number, 01865 351416.

Yours sincerely,

Steve Dyer and Lucy Bedding