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Dear Parents

Welcome to the new academic year, it is lovely to have you back and we hope you had a lovely summer holiday. In this letter we would like to give you some information about our learning and routines.

Topic

Our topic focus this term is Famous for More Than Five Minutes. We shall be looking at the achievements of George Stephenson and decide whether he was an important person that made a significant impact on the way of life then and whether his invention all that time ago still impacts on our life today. We will also complete a unit of work on Remembrance Day considering: why do people wear poppies? Whom do we remember on Remembrance Day? Further information about curriculum coverage can be found in the separate Class Topic Overview. Our whole-school Value this term is Responsibility, which will be integrated with our other learning.

Homework

In the next couple of weeks homework will be sent out by Google Classroom on a Friday to be completed by the following Thursday. Please return work via Google classroom. During the term Mathletics and Spelling Shed login IDs will be sent home with each child. We would encourage parents to use Mathletics and Spelling Shed as much as possible. Research shows that completing just three tasks a week leads to improved progress in maths and spelling.

We shall read regularly with the children in school during our Guided Reading sessions. Please return their reading folders to School every **Monday**. When you hear your child read at home please write a comment in their reading diary.

PE

Our PE days until half term will be Wednesdays. Please could children come to school dressed in their PE kit with the appropriate colour T-shirt for their House. They should arrive at school in the morning wearing their school shoes, and carry their PE shoes/trainers in their school bag.

If you have any questions about your child's learning, do get in touch with us at school via the school office: office@beckleyschool.org; the phone number is 01865 351416. We believe that learning is most effective when it is a partnership between school and home. We are looking forward to another exciting school year together with your children.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Bedding and Mrs Jones