## Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely Easter break. This term we are going to be learning all about the circus and entertainment. We have asked the children what they know and what they want to find out and have based this terms learning journey on their ideas. We will also be looking at the local history of Swindon. If you have any old photos of the Swindon area we would love to see them! Please look at the enquiry section of the website 'Wonderings' to see what we will be answering throughout the summer term. Don't forget to check the website during the term for regular updates photos/videos, children's work, and learning logs.

#### PE

PE will continue to be on set days but we ask you to please ensure all children have their PE kit in all week in case other opportunities arise during the week. PE kits will come home at the end of the day on a Friday. Please can you make sure they are returned on Monday morning. Our games PE session will be outside; due to the unpredictable weather please make sure that a sweatshirt and tracksuit bottoms are in the bag at all times. To make sure no one misplaces their clothes, can we ask that your child's name is visible on the labels, (including jumpers and cardigans) as last term we had lots of lost property.

## Reading

As a class we will visit the library regularly during the week. During this time children have access to a range of books and can change their books as frequently as they wish. Please remind your children if they need to change their books as they have the opportunity almost daily. Reading is very important, please hear your child read as often as possible, this could be their school books or any reading material you have at home e.g. stories, magazines, puzzles, information books etc. Please record this in their books so we can see all their hard work.

# Homework/Spellings

Homework will be sent out at the beginning of term with the due date on the top of the sheet. Spellings will be given out on a Monday to be tested the following Monday. Please note that spellings will not be given out over the SATs period.

### **SATs**

KS1 SATs will be taking place during weeks seven and eight of this term (15<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> May 2017). The children will still have a normal school day and will be unaware that they are undertaking pieces of work that will then be assessed. Please make sure that children arrive as promptly as possible and have had a good breakfast on these days. If you have any questions about this or would like any extra work to do at home then please do not hesitate to ask.

#### Communication

We are available before or after school on most days if you wish to come and see us for any particular reason. Alternatively you can leave a message in the home/school contact books and give it to us in the morning and we will respond as soon as possible.

Thank you for you continuing support. Mrs Maxfield and Miss McGahey