Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have all had a lovely Easter break.

From this term, the children will be working towards preparation for the transition to Year 2. This is important as it encourages more independence and structure. This term's History title is 'Full Steam Ahead' The children will be finding out about and comparing modern trains and Victorian steam trains. In science, the children will be investigating plants. Please see our subject overview for more details of other subjects.

### Morning Routine

It is very important that the register is taken at 8:40am so the children are ready to begin the day's activities. In each class the children will continue come in and complete their early morning task. They are beginning to embed very good routines with this which helps them settle into their day of learning.

#### PE

PE will continue to be on set days (Tuesday and Friday) 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 each term. Please can you make sure they are returned on the first day back to school. Most PE session are taking place outside now so 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.

## Reading

Reading is very important so we ask that you 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, information books etc. Remember, reading to your child is also just as important. We are continuing to log reading and books from the library on Boom Reader. Please ensure you are using the log ins sent out at the beginning of Year 1. Please ask if you need this again. Children will be taken to the library on a certain day of the week in order to change their books and listened to read by an adult.

# Homework/Spellings

The homework will continue to be sent home at the beginning of every term. Only <u>one</u> task needs to be completed from the three choices, unless you choose to do more. There are lots of activities on the sheet but if you can think of any more that you would like to do, please show us in your books! Spelling tests will be carried out on a Friday each week.

# Communication

We are available before or after school on most days should you wish to speak to us. Alternatively, the best way is to contact us is through class dojo or email admin@redoaks.org.uk and the message will be passed on to the relevant person.

## Dates for the diary

Library trip - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Thank you for you continued support, Mrs Hunter, Mrs Hogan and Miss Fullerton ©