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Dear Parents,

Welcome back after our Easter break, we hope you all had a fun holiday and managed to enjoy some of the gorgeous sunshine. We are so proud of all the children, who have come back on fire – their writing is simply awesome! We've started our super sentences each morning, where the children copy some of the sentences from the board and will move on to using them as sentence starters and finish them off themselves, which is exciting. Although all the children worked really hard with the super sentences, our first two superhero super sentence writers donned their capes and masks all day on Friday as a reward. This is a weekly treat and has really motivated the children to try their hardest and be resilient too. Keep an eye on your child's Tapestry account to find out what other things the children have been getting up to. The beauty of Tapestry is that you can upload things you do at home which gives an all-round feel of the learning journey your wonderful children are making. Thank you to those who have added some comments on to our work. It's always lovely to have your thoughts on our teaching and learning.

This term's topic is TRANSPORT. We started looking at some of the non-fiction books from the library on transport. We learnt that there wasn't even *one* book on buses in Didcot Library so we set about making our own. We will be learning about the story 'Naughty Bus' by Jan and Jerry Oke and go on our trip to the bus museum on 8th May (a letter to follow soon). We will be going to complete a transport survey in the village and have invited a trike and tank to come to school for the children to see. **Our outcome is on Wednesday 22 May 2-3pm** so look out for your invitation from your child later this term.

A polite reminder of some of our class rules and regulations!

All pupils in F.C. are expected to change into **indoor shoes** (these can be their P.E. plimsolls or trainers) when they arrive at school in the morning. Please make sure they have something easily accessible for them to store their spare shoes in the racks so changing time is easy and they get into the habit of putting things away.

We'd also like to remind you to bring in **named water bottles** but please ensure that they are filled with **water only** – no juice or squash please as it's bad for the children's teeth and against our healthy eating policy. Please note: Any bottles filled with squash or juice will be emptied and replaced with water.

For physical activities, each child needs a T-shirt, shorts and plimsolls or trainers in a drawstring bag, which can remain on their pegs all term. It's also a good idea to pop a light jumper or fleece in there too. **Please ensure all clothes and shoes are named (even socks and tights).**

Thanks to all those who helped with the toy sale – we are proud to announce we made over £120 which we will put towards a literacy shed for the wildlife area, we're half way to achieving this so a little more work needs to be done. Well done and thanks again for your continuing support.

We are looking forward to another happy and productive term. If you have any questions or concerns about anything at all school related, please make an appointment to see me after school, email or if it is urgent, call in at the office.

Kind regards

The Foundation Class Team