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Dear Parents,

I hope this letter finds you well and you all had a lovely May bank holiday and break.

This term we will be launching our new topic (Poisonous Plastics) by creating a model of our favourite sea creatures from various types of plastics. This topic will be looking at the properties of plastics, how they affect our environment and whether there is a solution to plastic pollution. This links well with our science this term which is properties and changes of materials.

In literacy this term, the children will be learning about a fictional rebirth story, followed by a non-fiction discussion text on the importance of recycling. Also, we will continue to read 'Wolf Brother' by Michelle Paver in our guided reading sessions. In maths, we will be covering the rest of the decimals and percentages, and units of measurement.

Our learning in PSHE this term will focus on 'Changing me'. We will be learning about: self and body image; puberty for girls; puberty for boys; conception and growing responsibilities. Throughout these lessons, we will be using the correct and scientific terminology for body parts and how these can produce offspring. Please note that our RSE curriculum is designed to match guidelines from the Department for Education. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Swimming will continue to be on Tuesdays, after lunch, and PE lessons will be on Wednesday afternoons. Some points to remember:

- Please provide a swimming costume and hat
- No jewellery is permitted in the pool; so any earrings must be taken out
- If, for any reason, you wish for your child not to swim or take part in a PE lesson, please may we ask for a written note from you.
- PE will be taking place outside until further notice. It is important the students come into school on a Thursday wearing an appropriate outdoor kit.
- To avoid lost kits, costumes, and hats can you please ensure all clothing is clearly labelled.
- Please also ensure they bring water to school in a labelled bottle.

For homework, the children will have a Mymaths activity and Spelling Shed assignment set on

Sunday evening, which will be expected to be completed by Friday. The children's passwords are on their google drive. Alternatively, if you would like a copy of these please let me know. We will continue with our spelling tests every Friday so it is in their interest to practise. Paper copies are available for those who experience technical difficulties.

The outcome for this term will be on Thursday 15th July (details to follow)

If you have any questions about anything, please do not hesitate to ask after school or send an email via the office. Thank you for all of your continued support and here's to another exciting term of learning.

Warm regards,

Miss Rockett and the Year 5 teams.