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Dear Parents and Carers,

Summer term is here and we have a very exciting term ahead. We will be spending lots of time in our outdoor areas planting, and discussing growth and change over time. We will be observing the life cycle of a butterfly first hand, along with a fantastic farm trip.

Here are some upcoming key dates for your diary – more information will follow about these:

- ☆ Our class trip to Hesketh Farm is on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May (payment due 5<sup>th</sup> May).
- ☆ Readers Afternoon with continue every Thursday 2:45-3:15pm.

If you have any questions about your child's learning or wellbeing please speak to the class teachers, or for a longer appointment, please speak to the office to arrange a convenient time. We are always happy to help.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Sykes and Miss Olivier



# Robin Class Summer 1 2017

This term our topic is:

## What a Wonderful World



This term we will be focussing on

### Understanding the World.

This will involve:

- Spending lots of time outside exploring and investigating.
- Planting and observing growth and change over time.
- Learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. We will be observing real caterpillars in the classroom!
- Going on an insect hunt and finding out about and creating their habitats.
- A fabulous trip to Hesketh Farm to end the half term!

### Reading

We will continue to practise sounds, segmenting and blending them for reading.

**Key Focus:** To read with fluency and talk about the text.

Our first text will be a fiction book- The Very Hungry Caterpillar



**You can help by:** Reading with your child at least three times a week and practising their words every day.

### Writing



We will practise our letter formation and writing our letters on the lines.

**Key Focus:** To write in sentences which can be read by both themselves and others.

**You can help by:** Encourage your child to write at least one sentence about something that interests them.

### Mathematics

In Maths we will continue to practise our numbers 0-20 including; counting, ordering, one more and one less.

**Key Focus:** Addition and subtraction problems.

**You can help by:** Talking to your children about word problems.

E.g. 'If I have three plates how many more do I need?'

'I have six apples and I eat two, how many are left?'



### Reminders:

- ☆ The payment for Hesketh Farm trip is due on Friday 5th May.
- ☆ Please ensure that **all** of your child's belongings are labelled.
- ☆ Please provide your child with a spare set of clothes in their bag.
- ☆ Children need to have their reading book in school every day.
- ☆ Books will be changed once a week, providing that they have read three times at home and it has been recorded in their diary.
- ☆ Readers' afternoon is every Thursday 2:45-3:10, parents are welcomed to read with their child.

