

Dear Parent/ carer,

April 2017

Topic

Our topic this term is 'Into The Wild'. We will be finding out about animals, their habitats and life cycles. We will be looking at living things in general and will go on some walks around the village identifying plants, trees and wildlife. We will be planting seeds and observing and measuring their growth. In Geography, we will be using compass directions and identifying human and physical features on aerial maps.

We are hoping to go on a trip later in the term to consolidate all of our learning about living things. Watch out for more information in the coming weeks.

Reading

Please continue to hear your child read as often as possible, preferably every day. Children can still earn Family Group Points depending on the amount of times they have read each week. Whilst hearing your child read, it is also useful to discuss the book with your child in order to check their understanding of the story. The Question Prompt sheet sent home before the Easter holidays is useful to help generate discussions about books. Please write in your child's yellow reading record book when you hear them read and encourage them to put their reading books in the box in the classroom every morning so that we can check whether they need to change their book. We would like children to read a book twice before changing it to ensure that any unfamiliar words are consolidated before moving on unless it is a longer book in which case they can change it after the first reading.



PE Kit

PE is still timetabled for Tuesday and Wednesday during the summer term. Your child's kit needs to be in school every day just in case these sessions change for any reason. Please ensure that they have navy blue shorts, t-shirt, trainers and that all items are clearly named. Feel free to take your child's kit home on a Friday if it needs washing but do please remember to send it back in on a Monday.



Swimming

The Year 2 children in Sticklebacks will be joining Seahorses in swimming lessons every Friday throughout the Summer Term. They will need their swimming kits, a towel and a swimming hat. If they need to wear goggles, they will need to bring in a letter from home.

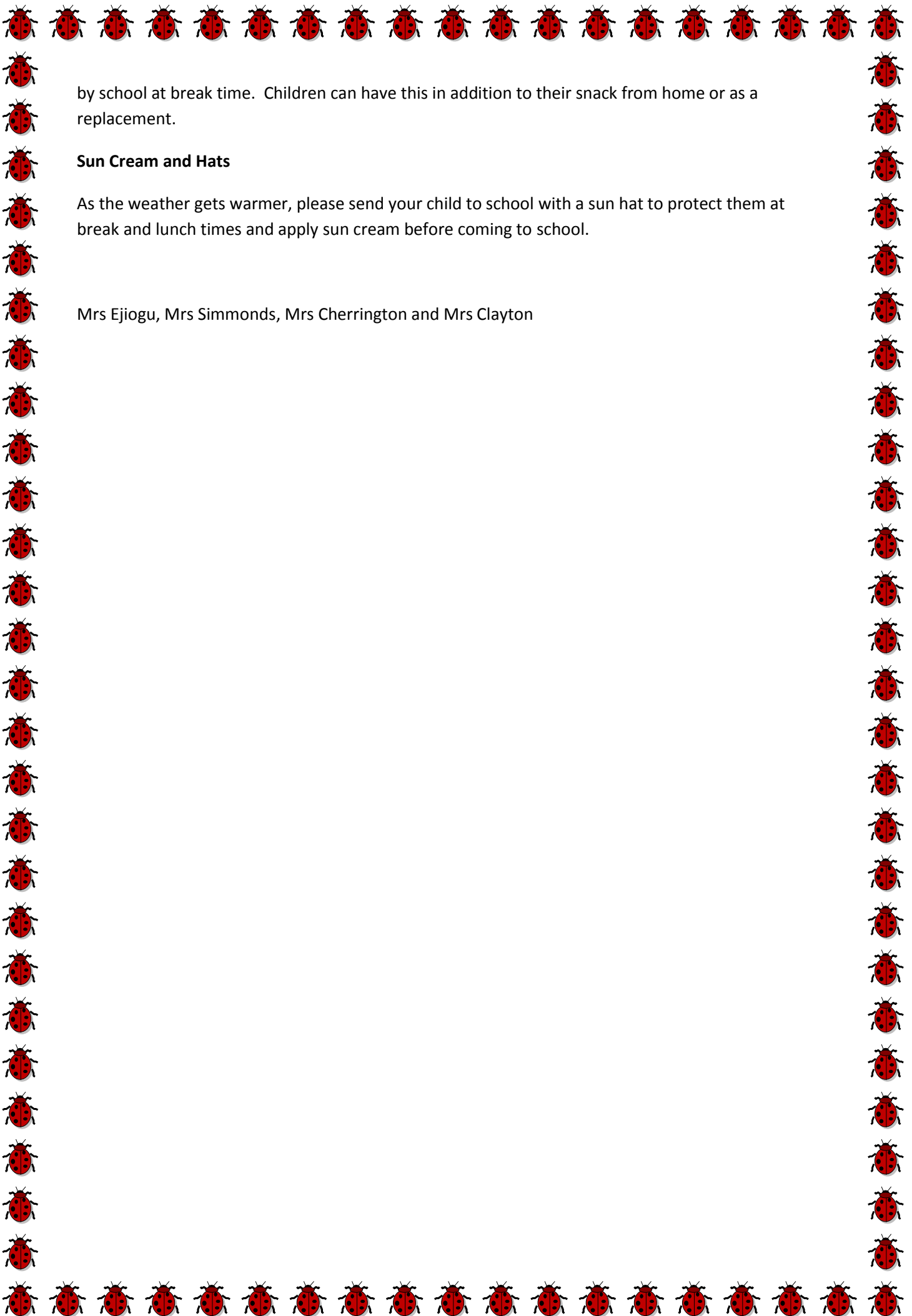
Homework

Homework is set on a Tuesday and due in the following Monday. Children will be set one piece of English and one piece of maths a week which will be sent home in a purple exercise book.

Water bottles and snacks

Please remember to send your child in with a water bottle as drinks from the water fountain are only available during break and lunch times. Fruit snacks will be provided





by school at break time. Children can have this in addition to their snack from home or as a replacement.

Sun Cream and Hats

As the weather gets warmer, please send your child to school with a sun hat to protect them at break and lunch times and apply sun cream before coming to school.

Mrs Ejiogu, Mrs Simmonds, Mrs Cherrington and Mrs Clayton