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Welcome to the first term in Rainbow class at Copplestone!

Our topic is 'And the Cow Jumped Over the Moon', which will include nursery rhymes and fairy tales to support our early reading and writing skills as well as communication and language development. We will also be doing 'Drawing Club' which is a literacy programme designed to encourage interest in stories, drawing and writing.

The Autumn term will run much like Pre-School with plenty of opportunities for independent learning through play and we will begin to learn our sounds, applying them in our reading and writing. The children will be doing PE on a Friday with Mrs Quelch and she will slowly introduce changing into PE kit as the term progresses – a PE kit will only be needed after October half term. This should consist of a Copplestone green t shirt, black shorts/leggings/tracksuit bottoms and trainers please. We also do daily 'Leap into Life' sessions for physical development and activity.

Little Wandle Phonics:

We will begin this on the 9th September, introducing **a new sound every day**. Therefore, it is important that your child has a good attendance, or they may miss the new sounds as we progress through the term.

For any help with how to say the sounds or how they are taught this is the link:

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

I will be posting the sounds we learn onto Class Dojo to keep you up to date with your child's learning each week.

Reading books will begin to come home when your child is confident in recognising the sounds we have learnt as well as blending them to read words. *Remember, reading is not a race!* The children will be bringing home 'books of interest' from the library to share with you. It is just as important to share a story with an adult reading at home to support their language development.

Rainbow Class Welcome Meeting:

We will have a 'Welcome' meeting for all parents on 24th September. I will run through our phonics and reading and show you how to log in to access the eBooks. Please do attend.

It was lovely to meet lots of you on the 5th September. If you do have anything else you wish to know or need, please do not hesitate to message me on Class Dojo and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

Thanks for your support in advance and let's have a great first term!

Mr Hagan

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