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Dear parents, carers and children,

Welcome back to school. We hope you had an enjoyable half term. Our learning journey this half term is one with a history focus: 'Why was winning the Battle of Britain in 1940 so important?' Details of learning across all subjects can be seen on our learning grid.

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 4th November: Buzzard Class ENTHUSE lesson at Bourne Community College

Tuesday 11th November: trip to Fort Nelson.

Friday 14th November: pond dipping with our wildlife officer, Mrs Barker, as part of our science learning

Friday 21st December: WW2 day - please see separate letter.

Please continue to encourage your child to read every day: we are enjoying seeing pupils being added to our reading display as they read more words and quiz on Accelerated Reader. We are trying very hard to build the children's reading stamina (how long they can sustain their reading) and appreciate your support in this.

Please help your child to complete their homework each week: all children are expected to complete all homework. Homework is set and marked every Monday morning. Continued practice of times tables is also incredibly important and highly encouraged.

Year 6 PE days are Wednesday and Friday. A reminder that the correct kit should be provided on PE days: white t-shirt with school logo, navy blue shorts, jogging bottoms or leggings, and trainers. Children with pierced ears will be asked to remove or cover their earrings. We will continue to use outdoor spaces for PE even in colder weather.

Thank you as always for your help and support,

Mr Harper and Mrs Hodgson