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Monday 13th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This half term our topic is Animals and Fantastic Creatures. We will be learning about some mythical creatures and different animals and their habitats. Reception will have a class trip to Godstone Farm on **Thursday 30th April** using this as an opportunity to engage and excite the children with their learning. We will also have a caterpillar experience which will support the children's learning around minibeasts and lifecycles.

In English this half term we will be reading some exciting stories with the children including; The Gruffalo, Bog Baby and Zog.

In maths we will be learning about teen numbers, doubling, taking away and sharing.

In our phonics lessons we will be continuing to practise the phase 3 sounds and tricky words and will be practising applying these skills in our reading and writing. We will then be moving on to phase 4. Please give your child as many opportunities as possible to write at home independently using the sounds and tricky words they are learning. E.g. writing shopping lists, keeping a weekend diary and writing notes and letters to friends or relatives.

We will be setting a homework menu for the half term. The homework menu will consist of 10 pieces of homework for you to complete with your child. You and your child can choose which homework task you would like to complete each week. We will send the homework books home each Friday to be returned on a Wednesday. Please let your child draw and write independently in their homework book using the phonics sounds and tricky words they have learnt so far. You can scribe above your child's writing if necessary for it to be read clearly.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Williams, Miss Carver and Miss Deller-Neeson

EYFS Class teachers

Education Trust Leader - Mr Lee Mason Ellis

Head Teacher – Mrs Rachel Lincoln

Deputy Head Teacher – Miss Lydia Coss

The Pioneer Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our pupils and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

