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Dear Parents/Carers,

Our Topic 'Into the Book!-Is It a Squash and a Squeeze?' (Julia Donaldson)

After our exciting visit to Australia! We are ready for a new topic! This topic is all about marvellous literature and we are looking closely at a range of key texts from our class author, Julia Donaldson. We will be listening to and joining in with these repetitive rhymes and stories. Of course, we will also become authors telling and performing stories as well as having a go at writing phrases and simple sentences. One of our key texts will be '**A Squash and a Squeeze**'. We will also get a delivery of some special eggs! I wonder what's inside the eggs?! Something will be hatching at our school! We will be able to observe, handle, draw and write about them!

Home Learning

To continue to help your child this half-term please can **you encourage your child to read daily**. This involves encouraging your child to use the pictures to help them read unfamiliar words and understand the story. We will continue to change 2 books on a weekly basis. Please continue to read a range of books to keep your child's interest in reading. Please remember to record the books you read in your child's Reading Diary.

Phonics Books (RWI)

We will continue to send home a phonics book and an Oxford Reading Tree book on a weekly basis. These will be changed throughout the week. Some children will also be bringing home a Ditty book from their phonics sessions. These will come home on a Friday. The phonics books focus on the current sounds your child has been learning and include green and red words. (To read green words we use our phonic knowledge to sound out, and red are our words to read by sight only).

Tapestry

Please remember to comment on observations when using Tapestry as we do welcome feedback. Thank you to all parents who have made comments or uploaded their own observations. We really value seeing what the children learn outside of school. Please remember to upload your own observations about your child's wonderful learning. If you need any support with this please come and see us.

Volunteers

We always warmly welcome your support in the classroom, so if you are able to come in, please come and see us. We are getting ready for planting already so if you have any gardening skills and would like to share them with the children, we encourage you to see us as soon as possible to arrange a time for you to come in. If you have any questions, ideas or wish to share news about your child, please come and see us. We value good communication as we believe it is the key to your child having the best learning experience at home and in school.

Kind regards

Crystal Smith, Gemma Terrill, Clare Doran and Cherise Lewington.

