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Dear Parents and Carers of children in LKS2,

As we come to the end of the children's third full week in school, it has been lovely to have spent some time in the LKS2 classrooms, getting to know the new classes in Years 3 and 4. I have been impressed with how well the children have settled in with their new teachers and peers, and with the number of children who are following our expectations to be Learner Ready.

For those of you not familiar with LKS2, as well as teaching the Giraffes, I am also the LKS2 Team Leader. Whilst queries and concerns should in the first instance be directed to your child's class teacher, I am available to answer anything further, and should you need to contact me, please do so via the school office (please note my working days are Monday- Wednesday).

Your child's PE days have been communicated, and children should come to school in PE kit on these days. Please ensure that these days are kept to, as children without kit will not be able to fully participate without their kit. ALL items worn must follow the school uniform policy, there should be no items with any logos or branding visible, and sweatshirts should not have a hood.

Details of homework have already been communicated, and it has been positive to see many families engaging with this. As well as this, I'd like to draw your attention to a really important way that families can support their children's learning in Years 3 and 4. At the end of Year 4, children sit the statutory Multiplication Tables Check, an online test of times tables knowledge, with 6 seconds to answer each of the 25 questions set. A rapid and fluent knowledge of times tables facts is therefore essential. Please support your child to learn their times tables. Class teachers will post on Dojo the times tables facts that are being focused on each half term, and in addition to practising these, children should also practise their times tables at least three times a week at home, using TimesTables Rockstars. Details of how to log on will be stuck in the back of children's reading diaries.

On behalf of the LKS2 team, we look forward to working with you to support your child through their learning journey this year.

Your Sincerely

Mrs S Granville

LKS2 Team Leader