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Good morning,

I hope you have had a fantastic weekend. I was travelling across Cornwall helping family members move house so it was a busy one!

The class had a fantastic trip to the farm last week and the farmer was really impressed with how curious they were about the world around them. I hope they've told you all about our experience of having our boots pecked by hungry chickens! We will build on this curiosity this week as we launch our science topic – **Living things and their habitats.**

In reading we will complete our **VIPERS (Vocabulary, Infer, Predict, Explain, Summarise)** lessons on Ernest Shackleton - using the text as a starting point for a piece of writing all about his failed (but very exciting) expedition to Antarctica. We will create a story map and practise talking the story before writing it using our brilliant year 2 language and grammar. As the week progresses, ask your child to try and recite the story for you at home.

I have uploaded all the extracts we have used in our reading sessions to Boomreader. I know that the children are excited about their reading so will be keen to show you how well they can read it.

In maths we are now well into our unit on place value and will continue to look at different ways to represent numbers up to 100.

Our afternoon learning will see us exploring Shackleton's motivation for becoming an explorer as well as considering the IT we use in school/at home. We will also discuss the importance of understanding personal boundaries in PSHE.

On Wednesday afternoon please join us for our open afternoon from 2:15 where you can pop in and see your child's classroom and have a look at what they've been up to in class so far this year. We will have a selection of books out for you to read with your children as well. You will be able to take your child home with you when you leave.

PE this week will be Tuesday. Please ensure children come to school in correct PE kit – black bottoms, white t shirt and a school jumper.

Home learning expectations:

- Reading once a day with an adult – RWI books and book bag books. Logged on Boomreader (Replacement log in letters available on request)
- Times tables – logins were handed out for Times Table Rockstars and tables have been set.
- Spellings – a paper sheet will come home and spellings are set on Edshed

Thank you for your support – have a great week.

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