Welcome back to Otters Class Spring Term! I hope you have had an exciting and relaxing holiday.

This term our topic is called 'Top Gear'. It will focus on different types of transport including planes, cars, trains and bicycles. During this topic we will be learning about Amelia Earhart, the Wright brothers, Stevenson's Rocket and the evolution of cars. We will be looking at the history of transport before half term and then will have a geography focus, when we learn about map skills after half term.

In D.T. this term, we will be creating our own cars with dowling and wooden wheels. These will then take part in a series of test similar to a Top Gear Challenge. If anyone has any interest in this topic, has good resources or interesting contacts please let me know!

We will be carrying out a village walk, to identify places on a map, look at human and physical features and carry out a transport survey in Broughton. We also hope to be going on a trip to Beaulieu Motor Museum. More details on this will follow about both of these trips.

This term we are continuing to have Hampshire Music Service provide our music sessions. We are going to become expert Ukulele players and will have a performance for the parents at the end of term.

Homework will continue to be tested on Thursday and returned on Friday with new homework to complete. The homework will include spellings related to our phonics and a Mathletics task. The homework sheet is sent home in children's homework books and is also on Google classroom. Year 2 children will also be tested on the Bronze challenge book.

The children will be having a variety of lesson outside this half term; Top gear cars, getting our outside area ready for plants and planting before Easter, learning about road safety and taking our science lessons outside. Please make sure the children have appropriate shoes and trousers for this. This could be what the children will wear for the acre, or wellies. They must be labelled.

Finally our P.E. days will be Monday afternoon and Tuesday afternoon. Monday's P.E. lesson will take place outside on the field when possible, and for the first half term will be cricket – where we are having a coach come in. Tuesday's lesson will be gymnastics for the first half term and dance for the second, with Mrs Devereux. Please make sure your child has their P.E. kit in a bag on these days and that it is clearly labelled.

There will be more information about our learning on our class page on the school website. Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any concerns.



Kind regards,

Laura Morris