

Aim High, Fly High

Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, we would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year. Fingers crossed 2023 will be a healthy and positive one for us all. Thank you so much for all the lovely gifts that we received - they were all very much appreciated and enjoyed!

Information about the learning we will be doing this term can be found on the Spring Term Topic Map. If you have any questions with regards to this please don't hesitate to contact me.

This term P.E. will be on Mondays and Wednesdays. Children will still be required to attend school in PE Kit on these days. Please ensure that your child has appropriate P.E. kit (school logo or plain white T-shirt, shorts for inside and jogging trousers, sweatshirt and suitable footwear for outside activities – plimsolls/pumps for indoor). Please also be aware that, for health and safety reasons, earrings must be removed for P.E.

Children will continue with Forest School on a Wednesday so please can you ensure that their PE kit has long sleeves and trousers / leggings or they bring a long sleeved top and trousers to change into (these clothes should be left at school for the half term).

Please can children bring a named bottle of water to drink during the day as well as named wellies, glue sticks, felt tips or colouring pencils.

Our reading challenge will continue with half term. The children will need to read (and have recorded in their reading logs) 4 times in a week to be on track to receive our reading certificates. Reading books will be changed on Mondays and Thursdays.

The home learning information is attached. The Topic and extra Maths and English activities are optional and relate to our current class learning. In addition, children will be given weekly spellings (given out every Friday, starting 13th January) and multiplication tables (see themed learning grid for details) to learn and they will be assessed on their progress in these each Friday.

Many children seem very keen to bring items in for show and tell. To avoid children getting upset because we have run out of time and so that all children have an opportunity to present to the class, we have decided to do it on a rotational basis as follows:

Week beginning	First name letter
12th / 13th Jan	A
19th/20th Jan	D
26 th / 27 th Jan	E
2 nd / 3 rd Feb	H, I
9th / 10th Feb	J
23 rd / 24 th Feb	K, L
2 nd / 3 rd March	M, R
9th / 10th March	T, S, V

As from Friday, 13th January children will have the opportunity, if they choose, to take home one of our PE bags. They are filled with equipment that the children can use at home to improve their co-ordination and game skills. If your child comes home with the bag, there is a booklet inside which explains things in more detail. The children can keep the bags from Friday - Thursday when they will need to be returned. We hope you enjoy using these items with your child.

If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact us via the school office.

Kind regards Mrs Lee Frere & Mrs Allison Kaye