





Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of a term 4! Can you believe we are now half way through the academic year? I love this Spring term as we start to see the evenings getting lighter and all those wonderful signs of Spring start to appear in the world around us. Finger crossed the sun will also start to make an appearance and warmer days are on the horizon!

I wanted to take the opportunity to share some important information with yourselves, including information about the learning which will be happening as well as important information you need to know about daily life at school.

Get Ready, Get Set, Go!

This term our topic is called 'Get Ready, Get Set, Go!'. This topic is all about journeys and our local area. In Geography we will be exploring our local area, the landmarks that are in it and how we can use and follow a simple map. We will be going for short walks around our local area to enable us the opportunity to follow a map as well as identify the different types of houses we can find in our local area. In Art, the children will be learning what a landscape is. They will use a range of media to create a simple collage of a landscape. In RE this term we are continuing with our learning on Islam and focussing on different festivals that are celebrated within the Islamic religion. In Science, we will be continuing to develop our understanding of different materials. Last term we learnt about what a material is and what materials different objects are made from. This term we are going to begin to think about the suitability of different materials for different purposes.

<u>P.E.</u>

Your child will have a P.E. session <u>every</u> week. Year 1 children will have their P.E. sessions on Thursday and Friday and Reception children will have their P.E. session on a Friday. Your child should bring their P.E. kit into school, where they will get changed into it for our P.E. sessions. If your child wears earrings, could I please ask that they are removed before school in order to keep your child safe within P.E. lessons. Please make sure your child's P.E. kit is in school for our first P.E. session. Year 1 will have their first PE session on <u>Thursday 22nd February</u> and Reception will have their first session on **Friday 23rd February**.

Personal Belongings

Please can I ask that you double check all belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name. Last term we had lots of cardigans, jumpers and PE kits go missing. We try hard to ensure all children's belongings are returned to them when lost around school, however we are only able to do this if they are clearly labelled.

Forest School

Our Forest School sessions will continue to run this term. Our first Forest School session will be on Thursday 22nd February. Please ensure your child has their forest school kit in school ready for this session. Our forest school area is getting quite muddy with the wet weather, please take this into consideration when you are packing your child's kit. We ask that a separate hat, gloves and scarf are provided for their forest school kit to keep it all together. Homework

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It has been lovely seeing the children engage in their homework last term and another thank-you for all the parents who created the impressive castles! Homework will continue to be handed out each Friday. Please ensure your child brings their homework back to school so Dojo points can be awarded. This term your homework will be as follows: **Year 1** – weekly Sumdog homework, phonics homework, daily reading and a piece of GPS homework. **Reception** – phonics homework, daily reading, caption writing

Remember to bring this terms topic homework back by Friday 23rd February.

Reading Books

Your child will continue to have a sharing book that they will bring home to share with you for their pleasure. This will be changed on a Monday and Friday. Children will also change their phonics book on a Wednesday. Please ensure you are writing in your child's reading record when you have read with them. 2 dojo points will be awarded every time your child reads.

Uniform

Please can we remind you that the school has a uniform policy which must be followed at all times. We have noticed some children coming to school in clothing which is not part of our uniform (e.g. trainers and hoodies). Please can you ensure your child is wearing the correct uniform each day.

We also ask that children do not bring in toys or makeup from home. This is to avoid any upset children if they were to get broken or lost.

Other News

Parents Consultation Evening – Don't forget it is our parent consultation evening on Monday 26th February.

Family Workshop – Apologies for not being able to run the family workshop last term. Last terms focus on the teaching of number will be carried forward into this term. You will be invited to join us for an hour session looking at a variety of different activities to support your child's maths learning. A date will be confirmed in the first week back.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me via Class Dojo. I look forward to seeing you all soon!

Kind Regards, Mrs Walton

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