



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the term which is going to be very exciting for us! We are delighted to see how well the children have settled into Year 1 and are in full flow of enjoying the different subjects we are studying!

Please read the information below.

• Year 1 Christmas Production

- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 9.30am in the school hall.  
We are looking forward to performing our Christmas Play 'Children of the World' to you and the whole school.
- Over the next few weeks your child may come home with lines to learn, roles to play and costumes to organise (these will be everyday clothes and nothing you will need to purchase).
- If you have any questions about their roles, please come and see me.

• Units for this half-term

The books we will be looking at in English are:

- Rama and Sita
- Stanley's Stick
- The Snowman

The units which we will cover in Maths are:

- Addition and Subtraction within 10
- Shape

The subjects in the afternoon are:

- History - Walter Tull
- Science - Seasonal Changes (this was incorrect on the first letter)
- History - Remembrance
- Geography - Life in the UK
- DT - Puppets

We will also be continuing to learn skills in Computing, RE, Music, PE and Learning for Life.

- Mystery readers

There are many slots free for a Tuesday afternoon if you or someone you know wants to share a story with the class! Please read the letter given to your child last half-term or come and see me for dates.

- 500 words writing competition

Please see the recent Friday flyers for more information. If your child is interested and wants to enter the competition, they can write their own story at home with help from an adult. We will cover story writing after Christmas which is why we are not completing this in school.

- Reading

Please continue to read as it is part of Year 1 homework. Your child must read the book given to them twice in order to develop fluency, practise their reading comprehension using the questions given in the book and recognise trickier words easily the next time they see it. Please date and sign your child's diary every time you hear them read.

Children do not need to finish their book in 1 day; they can read a few pages every night. If by Friday your child has been heard read 3 or more times in the week, they will receive 1 house point. We will monitor reading at home and will be reading with children during different points in the school year.

- PE - Monday morning and Tuesday afternoon.

Your child must come to school dressed in their PE kit.

All jewellery must be removed at home and hair must be tied back. We can't provide your child with tape to cover their earrings or jewellery.

Please label all PE clothing and uniform with your child's name to avoid lost clothes.

- Please provide a spare set of clothes including socks and pants.

At times, children can experience toilet accidents and we do not always have the correct sized clothing for your child to get changed into. Please label this bag which we will keep on your child's peg at school.

- Please ensure your child brings a book bag and water bottle into school.

We have limited space for back pack in the classroom.

- **Homework**

Spellings weekly, reading at least 3 times a week, Busy Things (optional) and homework on our class page on the school website (optional).

If at any point you have questions or are unsure about anything in Year 1, please see me after school once the children have been released.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Chana