



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the last part of the school year before the Summer holidays!

Please read the information below.

• Units for this half-term

In English we will be covering book reviews, information texts and simple poems. Our focus texts will be:

- The Snail and the Whale
- Poems Out Loud - comparison poems
- Looking back at past texts we have read as a whole class

The units which we will cover in Maths are:

- Place Value within 100
- Money
- Time

The subjects in the afternoon are:

- Science - Animals
- History - George Stephenson

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

• School Visit - Thursday 13th June 2024

We are excited to have a visit from an animal company who will be bringing along some animal friends for us to look, touch and learn more about. It links in brilliantly with our Science unit of work and will give children an opportunity to see animals they may have never seen up close before. We advise parents to pay for this on Arbor.

• Preparation for Year 2

To begin preparing the children for next year, we would like to encourage the children to enter the silver gate they usually come through in the mornings on their own and walk up to the classroom by themselves - **mornings only**. In Year 2, they will be expected to walk around the building to enter their classroom and this will help them to prepare to do so after the Summer holidays. Please do still come to us if you need anything.

- Reading

Please continue to read as it is part of Year 1 homework. It is crucial that children read as it will help them with the Phonics Screen Check in June and consolidate the sounds and tricky words taught. Your child must read the book given to them twice in order to develop fluency, practise their reading comprehension by asking questions 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 afternoon and Friday 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.

- Homework

Spellings weekly, reading at least 2 times a week 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