



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the second part of the term, which promises to be very exciting for us! We are delighted to see how well the children have settled into Year 1 and how much they are enjoying the different subjects we are studying.

Please read the information below:

• **Units for this half-term**

English	Writing to entertain - narratives. Simple sentences Proper nouns Past tense
Maths	Addition and subtraction to 10 Shape Addition and subtraction to 20
Science	Senses
Geography	Life in the UK
Music	Dance sing and play!
RE	Why does Christmas matter to Christians?
PE	Invasion games Gymnastics
Learning for life	Valuing differences
Computing	Technology around us
History	Walter Tull Remembrance Changes in recent memory

• **Year 1 Christmas Production**

- **Date:** Wednesday, 11th December at 9:30 AM in the school hall.

We are looking forward to performing our Christmas Play for you and the whole school. In a 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). We will try to assign roles based on what they children are comfortable doing.

• **Keyrings**

During our first term, we had several drawers and keyrings broken due to keyrings on book bags getting stuck and jamming the drawers. Therefore, we ask that all keyrings be removed to avoid further damage and to ensure that the drawers do not become a trip hazard.

• **Reading**

Please continue to read with your child as it is part of their Year 1 homework. Your child should read the book given to them twice to develop fluency, practice their reading comprehension using the questions provided, and recognise trickier words more easily the next time they encounter them. Please date and sign your child's diary every time you hear them read. Children do not need to finish their book in one day; they can read a few pages each night. If, by Friday, your child has been heard reading three or more times during the week, they will receive one house point. We will monitor reading at home and aim to read with each child once per week in school.

• **PE – Wednesday and Friday**

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 cannot provide tape to cover earrings or jewellery. Please label all PE clothing and uniform with your child's name to avoid lost items.

• **Homework**

A reminder that a list of optional additional activities is available on the Year 1 page should you wish to continue work at home. Children are welcome to share their work with the class, but we kindly ask that they do not bring toys, as these should be kept at home.

Kind regards,
Miss Smith