

## Class One Newsletter

We hope that you had a lovely festive holiday and we wish you a happy and healthy new year.

This newsletter will give you a brief outline of what we will be up to in class this term but, as always, if there is anything else you need to know just come and ask. After school is the best time to catch us as mornings can be a little bit busy!

### **What will we be learning about this term?**

Here is a brief summary of some of the things the children will be learning about this term; inside you will also find a topic overview.



#### Literacy

The children will be following the National Curriculum objectives relating to their age and ability. As part of our literacy work we will continue to work with a wide range of texts that include fiction, non-fiction and poetry. Our work will link wherever possible to our school topic.



#### Reading

Almost all of our reading in school is now done through guided reading, although there will still be some individual reading done. The books are colour banded and all of the children will progress to changing their own home reading book this term. Please remind your child if they need to choose some new books, we have a special time every day in which they can do this. It is important to read with your child at home this is quality time together and will help support your child in learning new words and reading with fluency and expression.

As your child progresses they will increasingly come upon vocabulary that will need explaining and this time is ideal for you to check that they understand what they have read. It is also a good idea to use the reading book as a tool for learning. For example discussion questions and sentence writing, What might happen next in the story? Write a sentence to describe what the character looks like? If you need any help with ideas please speak with Miss Rushmer.



#### Maths

As in Literacy, the children will follow objectives from the National Curriculum relating to their age and ability. We will be focusing on the Key Instant Recall Facts (K.I.R.F.s), more information will be sent home at the beginning of each half of the Spring term. You can help your child at home by carrying out some of the activities on the sheet. We will also be covering place value, calculation, shape, measuring and handling data.

#### Topic ' Around the World'



Through our main topic we will be covering all aspects of the curriculum. This includes science, computing, art and design and geography. We will sometimes be guided in our teaching by pupil interests linked to the topic which will enable and enhance their learning experiences.



#### P.E.

Our P.E. days this term are Monday and Friday. It is useful if your child keeps their P.E. kit in school just in case we get any extra sessions or have to change our day. We will be going out for some sessions so make sure they have suitable clothing for inside and out.



#### Homework

The children will bring home a phonics homework book each Friday. Please return this by the following Wednesday.

Miss Rushmer

