

Class 1 Newsletter

This half term:

Monday

Reading books returned.

Tuesday

Homework returned.

P.E. (earrings removed)

Wednesday

Reading books returned

Thursday

Community Bank

P.E. (earrings removed)

Friday

Reading books returned.

Homework handed out.

Every day each child has a piece of fruit and a drink of milk, however when your child turns 5 the milk is no longer free. If you would like your child to continue having milk then a form can be obtained from our office.



Welcome back, I hope you had a lovely Christmas and I would like to wish you all a happy New Year. The children were keen to share their Christmas news and tell everyone about the special presents they had received.

The children have been working hard to learn their letter sounds in our phonics sessions and we will soon be moving onto the digraphs e.g. sh, ch, th, ee, ai etc. I will continue to update the sound books with the new sounds and during this term I will begin to send home a homework task linked to the work we are doing in class. Please can this be completed over the weekend and returned each Tuesday to enable me to update the books with the new sounds and homework task ready for the weekend.

We are creating a model making area in the classroom. Please can you keep any small boxes, kitchen roll tubes etc. that we can use for our models and send them into school?

The other side of this newsletter will share some of the activities and topics we will be looking at this term. Thank you for reading our newsletter. If you have any concerns or questions please get in touch. Miss Morgan

The children are enjoying reading the Phonic Bug books and are keen to show what they can do. We have been talking in class about taking care of our reading books when we take them home because we have had a couple of books being returned ripped or marked with food.

Once you have heard your child read please could you sign your name in your child's diary. The children need to bring their books every **Monday**, **Wednesday** and **Friday** so we can listen to them read and change their books. Thank you!



Our topic for this half term is Winter.

English

We have been working hard to apply our phonic skills to read and write simple words. We are continuing to practise our letter sounds and we will shortly be moving onto the digraphs e.g sh, ch, th.

We are beginning to write simple sentences and will practise thinking of a sentence, saying it out loud then writing it down.



Alongside the Winter topic, we will also be looking at several Julia Donaldson stories including the Gruffalo and the Gruffalo's Child.



Understanding the world

We will have lots of fun investigating and exploring snowflakes.

We will observe changes including freezing and melting. We will begin to try and find answers to some of our questions e.g. What might happen to a snowman in Summer?

Communication and Language

We will look at how and why questions.

We will begin to ask and answer questions about stories we have read.

Physical

Explore moving in different ways and find ways to link movements together to make a simple dance.

We will look at ways to keep warm and stay safe in the winter.

Maths

Our focus this term will be on recognising, ordering and writing numbers to 10 and to begin to work on numbers to 20. We will continue to develop our adding and taking away skills. In shape and space we will be finding out about pattern and capacity.

Creative

Draw and paint snow pictures. Make snowflakes and explore different ways to snip the paper to make a pattern.

We have been really keen to draw different things so we will continue to build on this during this term. We will use simple 'how to draw' resources to follow the steps to draw different animals.

PSED

We will take part in circle time activities linked to friendship, working together and taking turns.