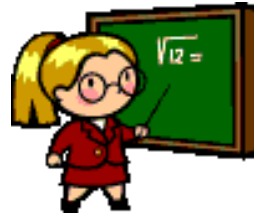
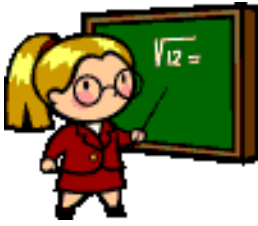


Spring Term - Year 1



Happy New Year and welcome back!

We hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas and is ready to start the new term! We have plenty of things happening again this term, including a visit to Ludlow Castle and Pizza Express. With all of these exciting things happening we thought we would keep everyone up-to-date with our plans. It will also be a very exciting time for Mrs Seager as she will start her maternity leave later this term.

READING

Thank you to everyone who has been signing reading diaries regularly - we really notice a difference. If you could continue to spend 10 minutes listening to your child read and then making a brief comment or signing the diary we would really appreciate it. It is vital that your child spends time reading aloud to another adult to help encourage them to sound out letters and letter blends correctly and also to begin reading with some expression.

SPELLINGS

We are continuing to send spellings home and these are getting progressively harder. Again, it is very important the children spend time learning these words as not only will it aid their reading but it is a step towards them also spelling these words.

BARNABY BEAR AND LISTENING LOLA

We are continuing to send Barnaby Bear home each weekend - he's had some wonderful adventures so far and he's very keen to keep this up! All we ask is that you talk to your child about the activities Barnaby is joining in with and they can then report this back to us on the following Monday morning. Similarly, if you have an important event coming up which you think Barnaby might particular enjoy, then we can arrange for you to have him on that weekend.

Listening Lola is also keen to share some adventures with children who have been very good listeners. It is lovely to hear what she has been doing over the weekend and we share her book in quiet circle time.

P.E KIT, SWEATSHIRTS and WATER

Please make sure P.E kit (named) is in all week for our lessons which are now on Monday and Friday (due to no swimming). Please ensure your child has both indoor and outdoor P.E kit - just in case! Each child is allowed to bring a bottle of water (with a lid on!!) to drink throughout the day and this can be left in the classroom. It would also be appreciated if all sweatshirts could be named as this will save many arguments after playtime and P.E!

SCHOOL WEBSITE

We hope some of you have been able to visit our school website over the past term - we try to keep it as updated as possible. There is also a page informing you of our class topics for the term. If you get the chance, please visit our class page and have a look at the [Infant Encyclopaedia](#) with your child. This is a fantastic website which we will also be using in our ICT lessons - it is full of useful information and activities with the added bonus of the children being able to listen to the information if they find reading it difficult.

HELPING HANDS

If you have some time to spare in our busy classroom we would love to hear from you. Please speak to us at the end of the day if you interested in helping -
THANK YOU!!

Happy New Year!

Anna Langford and Emma Seager

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