

Spring Term 1 - Reception News Letter

Dear parents and children

Welcome back after the Christmas break. We would like to wish all our families a very happy new year.

Our theme for this half term is 'Once Upon a Time'. Please find attached a curriculum letter that outlines just some of the things that we will be covering during this half term.

General Information

The children will continue to read on a weekly basis. Please ensure that your child has their reading books and reading record in their school bag on a daily basis.

Please continue to read with your child as often as possible and also practise the words and sounds that we send home. It is amazing how your support at home really helps your child to develop their skills in reading and writing. Sign your child's record every time you read with them at home as this goes towards prizes in our class reading challenge. Information about the reading challenge can be found at the front of your child's reading record. If you feel you need any support in helping your child at home please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

In Reception we like to go outdoors in all weathers. Please make sure that your child has a suitable, named outdoor coat in school every day. A pair of wellies are great for wet days, or if your child wants to explore in our mud kitchen, these can be kept on your child's peg in the cloakroom.

As part of National Story Telling Week (week beg 3rd February) we would like parents to take part in our class activity 'The secret story teller'. We are looking for parents to volunteer (without telling their child) to come into school and read their favourite story book to the class. This exciting activity will run all week. Hearing new stories read to them by different people will hopefully encourage and develop a love for reading. I will send out some more information about this nearer the time, but if you feel you would like to take part then please let a member of staff know.

Requests

- We are really looking forward to sharing your child's journal entry from the Christmas holidays. This is an activity that they also love to take part in, they are very proud to share news from home. If your child does not have their journal in school they will not have the opportunity to take part in such a fun activity. Please return your child's journal to school as soon as possible.

If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your support,
Mrs H Price (Reception Class Teacher)