

Year 2 Spring Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you all!

It is lovely to see all the children back in school safe and well after the Christmas holiday. It was fabulous to hear all their Christmas holiday news.

Thank you very much for all your kind and generous gifts and cards. They are very much appreciated.

Clothing

The weather is very changeable, and we aim to be outside as much as possible. Your child will need a warm waterproof coat. Gloves, a hat and a scarf would also be beneficial to keep them warm. If you haven't already done so, please could you label all your child's belongings. If they are unable to do up their coat and tie their laces, please can you continue to practice at home. Thank you!

Reading and Key words

The partnership between home and school is vital in helping your child's reading development. Reading every day with your child at home, as well as practising sounds/keywords/spelling, really does make the difference to help your child make progress. Please can all bookbags be returned to school every **Monday**.

Topic Work

We will be continuing with this year's topic of 'Seize the Season'. Last week we were busy writing thank you letters and our new year resolutions (thinking about what we would like to get better at this year and how we are going to try our best to make it happen). We have started our science topic about different materials and identifying what different materials are used to create everything in our environment. Next week we will be exploring how materials change shape and recycling different materials.

Homework Activity: Using the attached sheet please can you help your child to keep a record of all the items you recycle at home this week by drawing or writing in the boxes. (Some examples have been done for you.)

Maths

To continue to develop and consolidate maths skills please practice at home:

- Counting on and and back in 10's, 5's and 2's as well as counting on and back in 10's from a given number (e.g. 23, 33, 43, 53 ...)
- 10- and 5-times tables
- Telling the time: o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to.
- Days of the week and months of the year.

- Recognising and naming 2D and 3D shapes.
- Learn Its - Number bonds to 10, doubles to 20, adding 1, 2, 3 and 4 to 1digit numbers.

Physical Development Afternoons

Your child will need to come to school on Wednesdays wearing their full PE kit: joggers/leggings, house colour t-shirt, trainers and a jumper. Each Wednesday afternoon the year groups will be rotating around physical activities e.g. ball skills, gymnastics, outdoor activities... *Your child may be taking part in outdoor activities so a raincoat with a hood is a must every Wednesday. If you have a spare pair of wellies then please send them in in a labelled bag and your child can leave them on their peg for the term. Thank you!*

Thank you for your continued support. Please don't hesitate to come and talk to us if you have any questions. We are usually available early before the bell, or after school.

Mrs Sully and Miss Bseiso