

10 January 2022

Dear families

General information for Year 1 in Term 3

Happy New Year! We hope you enjoyed the Christmas break. Please see below important dates and information which will be relevant for this term.

- **P.E.** will usually be on **Monday and Thursday** again this term. Please ensure that children wear their PE kit to school on these days, and that children have suitable clothing for the colder weather.
- **Forest school** - Forest School sessions are approximately 1 hour per class every Friday regardless of weather. Please make sure your child keeps their named wellies in school. Please also bring in suitable waterproofs (all clearly labelled) and any extra layers when it is particularly cold. It would be helpful if these were in a carrier bag so they can be hung on pegs. These can be left in school should you wish to.
- **Reading:** Children will change their books every Monday. **Children should have their reading book and reading record in school every day**, as we will be checking what they have been reading at home and place entries to the weekly book raffle. If you would like more than one reading book per week, please speak to a member of staff. Additional online books can be accessed through Rocket Phonics. Speak to a member of staff if you have any issues accessing these. We will also be introducing a class library where children can choose a picture book to bring home to share and read with the family.
- **Homework will include:**
 - **Reading:** Children are expected to read at least 4 times per week.
 - **Homework menu:** Children can choose from a range of different activities which will be linked to our topic. These will be sent out with your topic web.
- We will be ventilating classrooms with windows and doors open throughout the day, so children may want to wear an extra layer underneath their school uniform.

Important dates:

Nasal flu immunisations: Thursday 13 January

Lower School Coffee Morning: Thursday 3 February

Last day of term: Friday 18 February

We have two Big Questions this term! The first is, 'Why is Baby Bear afraid of the dark?' which we will explore as authors and designers. The second is, 'Which inventions have changed the world?' through the lens of historians and computer scientists. Please see the topic web for more details.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Year 1 team.

Thank you for your continued support.

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