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Dear Parent / Carer,

Happy New Year! We hope that you all enjoyed the Christmas break and are ready for the busy and exciting term ahead. We would like to take this opportunity to provide you with some key information for the forthcoming term. Our topic this half term is 'Are iPads more fun than my Grandparents' toys?' comparing toys from the past and the present. Our Science focus is 'Everyday Materials'.

It is vital that your child reads as frequently as possible at home. We are asking you to listen to your child read at least three times a week. Please ask your child questions about the text as you are reading to develop their understanding and write in their reading record when you have listened to them. We will be checking the children's reading records every Monday and rewarding them if they have read three times or more throughout the previous week. If your child is reading from the Read, Write, Inc. scheme, please listen to them read their phonics book or access Oxford Owl online.

The children will be given spelling homework every Thursday which we would like them to return the following Tuesday. Again, if this is not handed in on time, the children will be expected to complete this during break time.

Every Monday morning we will have a Times Tables Test. This will replace the KIRF test that we have done weekly so far throughout the year. We have put an information sheet in your child's green book but if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask your child's teacher. The children would really benefit from practising at home as much as possible. The times table they are currently working on is shown at the front of their book. All of the children will be starting on the 10 times table.

If your child is absent from school for any period, there will be work set for them every day on Purple Mash to help them catch up on any missed learning. Please visit the Remote Learning section of the school's website for more information.

As always we expect our children to adhere to the uniform policy at all times. Please ensure your child has the appropriate clothing for all aspects of school including PE. This consists of a plain white T-shirt, black or blue shorts and for Games a warm top and/or jogging bottoms (to be worn over the PE kit) and trainers. PE lessons will be on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Fruit or vegetables will be available at break time each day along with milk. Your child is encouraged to bring water in a named, clear drinks bottle to use in the classroom, which can be refilled during the day.

Please could we ask that all your child's clothing and equipment (including their lunch boxes and bags) are clearly labelled with their name. This makes it easier to return stray belongings to their rightful owner! Name labels can be obtained from www.stikins.co.uk – help raise funds for our school use our schools number 14630.

This half term, each of the Year One classes have their Inspire Workshops (details of this will follow). We will continue to have Good Work assemblies on Friday afternoons.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Meade, Miss Swan and Miss Veitch



