



Class Newsletter

Year 1

Spring 2019

Welcome back to a new term. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas holiday.

Homework

Homework will be given on a **Monday** to be completed for the following **Monday morning**. Homework is usually a maths, English, science or topic-based task related to the work that we have been doing. These activities should be completed in about 15-20 minutes with minimal adult support.

Spellings and High Frequency words

Arrangements for **Spellings** and **high frequency words** will continue to be the same as last term:

Suns- Monday

Moons- Tuesday

Stars- Wednesday

Planets- Thursday

Rockets- Friday



Take Away Homework

Thank you for supporting your child with their takeaway homework. This term it will be linked to our Discovery Curriculum topic '**All about me**'.

Reading Books

Reading books will be changed on a **Wednesday**. Please fill in your child's reading record with an appropriate comment each time they read to you. **Books will only be changed if there is an entry in the record book.**

Volunteering Your Time

If anyone would like to volunteer to hear children read, please come and see me after school. We would really appreciate any support from parents and grandparents. Thank you to those parents that have already given up time to come in and hear readers.



English

In English this term, our key texts will be **'The Gruffalo'** by Julia Donaldson. We will be covering:

- Various genres including non-chronological reports, character descriptions and story writing.
- We will also be focusing on composing sentences orally, writing sentences and using the correct punctuation.



PE

PE will continue to be on **Wednesdays**. Please ensure that PE kits are at school on this day and **clearly labelled**. Earrings should not be worn and long hair should be tied back.

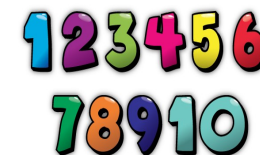
Snack

The children receive free fruit every day to enjoy at playtime. They should also bring in a drink of **water** in a labelled bottle.



Maths

In maths we will continue to work on **number facts**, particularly **number bonds to 10 and 20** and rapid recall of **addition and subtraction facts**. We will also be learning about **multiplication and division, time and fractions**. We will be learning our **times tables**.



Discovery Curriculum

This term our main topic is 'All about me'. We will continue to teach subjects through our Discovery Curriculum which has a cross-curricular approach to teaching and learning, taking into account what the children know and would like to know.

At the end of the topic we will complete a 'Champion Challenge', where the children will use all of the skills that they have learnt to complete a group challenge.



Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. If you have any questions or problems, then please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mrs Morris.

Miss Ladega, and Mrs Morris