

Dear parents

Welcome back to a new school term in class 1. We have all settled in again after the Christmas holiday and have begun to work on our exciting new topics. This half term our focus is on Toys. In History we are concentrating on toys from the past. In Science we are sorting, grouping and classifying materials and looking at properties relating to toys. Our project in Design Technology is a toy which uses a wind up mechanism and will be based on the nursery rhyme 'Incey Wincey Spider'. RE (Religious Education) will be taught as a discrete topic and will be on the Jewish holy book the Torah.

If you feel you could help in any of our topics we would be very pleased to see you.

PE will continue to be taught on Mondays and Thursdays. We will be working on gymnastics this term so will be inside over the worst of the weather. Your child will need full PE kit including plimsolls, shorts and T-shirt. All items should be named and kept in a named PE bag.

Books in book bags will be changed on a Tuesday and Friday. It would be helpful if your child could bring his/her bookbag in everyday so that correspondence and other items can be carried home safely.

Spelling books for years 1 and 2 need to be in school on a Wednesday. If you could help your child to learn his/her spellings it would be much appreciated.

On a health and safety note, if your child is going home with someone other than the usual person, (for example if they are going to a friend's house to play) please could you let myself or Mrs Williman know so that we can make a note of it. Similarly, if your child usually goes to the After School Club but is not going on a particular day could you also let us know. This way we can ensure your child is aware of the end of the day arrangements and that they leave school with the named person.

Parents evenings will be held later this term but I am always happy to see parents at any other time. If you have any queries about your child or indeed any aspect of life in Class 1, please do not hesitate to come and see me. I am available after school on most days.

Yours sincerely

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