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"Together, we will RISE"

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back! I hope that you have all had a great half term and that the children all had a well deserved rest over the break too. It has been wonderful welcoming them back with such

This term our learning will be based on our two book hooks, The penguin who wanted to find out and The great explorer. These books naturally lend themselves to areas of Geography, Science and Literacy skills. Attached is a topic web which provides insight into what the children will be learning in each subject this term.

P.E.

P.E will be continue to be taught every week on a **Tuesday**. Please can you ensure that **your child arrives at school already dressed in their PE kit**. This term the children will be doing Gymnastics so using the hall rather than being outside in the colder weather. Please ensure they continue to wear:

- White T-shirt and school jumper
- Black shorts or dark joggers
- Trainers

Belongings

As the weather becomes colder, it may be appropriate to begin wearing scarf, gloves etc to school. When this is the case, we will remind children to keep these in their bags (and make sure zips are closed!) during times they are not being worn to help prevent them from going missing. The children are really developing their independence with their belongings, so please do keep supporting them with this between home and school, it makes a real difference! I am aware that some jumpers haven't returned home so will support the children in finding them and being able to do so.

Snack and allergies

Just a quick reminder to please check labels of food items very carefully to make sure that snacks brought into school **do not contain nuts**. Thank you for your ongoing support with this so far, the children are being very caring towards one another in ensuring that everyone is safe when eating their snacks which has been fantastic to see!

Reading Records

The children have made a fantastic start to their reading this school year and I have been thrilled to begin giving out 30 reads certificates! Please do keep recording the reads throughout the week as we can only give out reading certificates when we can physically see 30 reads have been recorded. During our parent meetings this term, I will be giving out some resources to support you with reading at home and be able to give more guidance of how to best support your child with their reading.



Homework

Homework will continue to be **set online weekly every Friday and is due to be completed by the following Friday**. Thank you for your ongoing support and engagement with this so far this year, it is really starting to make such a positive impact on the children's learning! If it is not possible for your child to complete these homework activities online, paper copies can be made available on request. Below is a reminder of what is set:

Literacy

This homework is via Forms on the Class' Teams website (Kaleidoscope Class) weekly containing the 10 spellings consolidating what they have learnt in the week and a section to write a sentence including the spellings they have been taught.

Maths

Children will be allocated activities on MyMaths that consolidate the learning they have been doing. MyMaths club is continuing to take place after school on a Wednesday until 4.15pm where children can come and complete their activities, please do take advantage of this opportunity if helpful.

Theatre trip

We are very excited to be taking the children to see a performance of the Demon Dentist at the Wyvern Theatre on Friday 25th November. You will be receiving a separate letter regarding this, though in the mean time if you would be available to join us as a parent helper on this trip then please do let the school office know as soon as possible.

Christmas performance

This year the Hive and Kaleidoscope Class will be joining together to perform the play 'Whoops-a-daisy angel' and we are starting to learn the songs with actions before we start rehearsals and putting the performance together. Once we have allocated roles, we will send out information about what your child is doing in the play and costume requirements as soon as possible. As you will have already seen from the newsletter, the performance will take place on **Wednesday 14th December at 1.30pm**.

As mentioned in my previous letter, if you do have any queries or concerns, then please do feel free to catch me on the playground at the end of the school day or contact the office if this isn't possible.

Kind Regards,

Miss Allanach

