

Class 1 Newsletter

Happy New Year

Welcome back to all of our children and families and Happy New Year. We hope that you all had a peaceful, relaxing Christmas holiday.

Thank you

Both myself and Mrs Dickinson received some lovely cards and gifts for Christmas. Thank you for your generosity.

Show and Tell

In Class 1, we encourage show and tell on a Friday afternoon, when we have our weekly Class Achievement Celebration.

Please do not send your child in with toys for show and tell. The session is a celebration of achievement and experiences gained through the week.

Examples of things brought in include certificates of achievement for out of school activities (such as swimming, gymnastics, dance etc.), souvenirs from a family holiday or day out, artwork or research done at home relating to learning in class, Rainbows/Beavers uniforms or badges. The most valuable show and tell sessions are when the children have lots to tell us about whatever it is they have brought in.

If you have any queries regarding show and tell, please just ask myself or Mrs Dickinson. Thank you.

Reception School Councillor

Now that our youngest children are fully settled into school life, our school will be voting for a school council representative for Reception.

We will, of course, discuss this with the children in school, but you may like to ask your child if they are interested in being on the school council and if so encourage them to put themselves forward.

PE

This term, Class 1 PE will be on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. On a Tuesday, the children will be taught by a specialist PE coach. On a Wednesday, the children will be led by a qualified dance teacher.

Some of our PE sessions will be outside so all children will need trousers or leggings included in their PE kits.

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school all week in case of any timetable changes.

Please also ensure that all uniform items are named. Thank you.

Homework

Sound Books (Reception): The children have now begun learning Phase 3 Sounds during Phonics sessions. These will be stuck into sound books as the children learn them. Please do continue with the sound book practise at home: 5 minutes a day makes such a difference to your child's Literacy development.

Spellings (Year 1): The Year 1 children have today brought home their new spellings to practise. They were doing incredibly well with these before the holidays and it is clear to see some real progress in their written work. Please keep up the practise at home—it is making a big difference!

Reading (Reception and Year 1): Please continue to fill in your child's reading record at least once weekly to let us know how their reading is progressing at home. Thank you.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Mrs Berry