



YEAR ONE NEWS

Dear parent,

Hopefully you had a super Christmas. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you a Happy New Year and to say a big 'thank you' for all the lovely gifts. We are now back, 'nose to the grindstone' ready for a very busy second term.

GENERAL INFORMATION

You will be receiving your interview time soon. It would help us if you could return the reply slip promptly.

Reminders...

- Many children have received lovely new water bottles/snack containers/lunch boxes for Christmas - please make sure all items are named.
- Please check your child's yellow bag each night and remove any completed work, notes etc. Thank you.

MATHS

- Sorting - one & two property collections.
- Counting - to 10 & back, number before, number after, beginning at different starting numbers.
- Number - using the terms 'more'; 'less'; 'the same'.
- Pattern - creating a pattern using a '3' repeat (small medium big/ small medium big) or a 'double' repeat (red red blue blue/ red red blue blue)
- Shape - basic 'flat' (square; circle; rectangle; triangle) & beginning to investigate 'solid' shapes (cube; sphere; cylinder)
- Weight - comparing objects and developing the associated language (heavier/lighter)
- Area - we will be investigating how many smaller shapes it takes to cover a larger area. The children will also enjoy programming BeeBot to move forwards and backwards.

LITERACY

Keep up the good work on learning the High Frequency words! It is really important that these words are secure to ensure your child works through our reading scheme with confidence. We will be revising the Term One words along with all the phonic work we have completed. New



words will begin again later in the month. A new set of words will be sent home for you to cut and, as before, a homework planner to help you keep track. Reading will begin next week - this will be a new system and an information sheet will be sent home for your guidance.



TOPIC



- Open Area - 'Cold Lands'
- Remember to help us 'stock up' our junk-art bins. These will be at the entrance door. We are particularly looking for firm boxes in mixed sizes.
- Environment & Society - 'Winter Season' - you can help by encouraging your child to talk about this topic at home too.



Thank you for your continuing support,



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