

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term. We hope you all had fun in the half term holidays. Our work this term is based around the picture book 'The Dragon Machine' by Helen Ward. Our literacy work will link to the book, looking at narrative writing both in fiction and non-fiction recounts, simple poems, non-fiction reports and describing settings.

In our topic work we will be exploring materials – what they are and what we can do with them. We will be trying to change materials by squashing, bending and stretching them. Using these ideas, we will be making and flying simple kites.

Much of our maths work this half term will be taken up with simple fractions and multiplication and division. Later we will do some work on measures – length, volume, weight and time. Again, could we ask that you help your child at home with telling the time on a clock with hands as this is an aspect that they tend to struggle with.

Monthly homework sheets will continue to be sent home in the Homework books as before, as will spellings. Please enjoy spending time with your child on these tasks and be as inventive as you like. Homework books need to be returned to school by Wednesday, so we can share our achievements, and will be returned to you in book bags on Fridays.

This half term our PE lessons will continue to be on Wednesdays and Thursdays. We will be working both inside and out and so will need kit for both. When working indoors we usually have bare feet, so please let us know if your child needs to wear plimsolls, and remember to leave earrings out on those days. Please make sure that your child leaves their full (named) PE kit in school all week. We encourage the children to drink plenty of water during the day. Please make sure they have a named water bottle in school which should be refilled each day. The water fountain can be used if children don't have a bottle in school, but it is much less disruptive to have a bottle in the classroom.

Best wishes,

Mrs Pryce and Miss Lewellen

Remember – you can keep up to date with all our news by visiting the Class 1/2 pages on the school website.