

12th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Class 1 Spring Term Newsletter and Overview

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and are all keeping safe and well. This term, we hope the children enjoy the units of work we have planned for them, which are detailed on the attached document. The children have all returned to school with fantastic enthusiasm and interest in learning, proving what great students they all are.

In English, we will initially be concentrating on Traditional Tales. We will be looking at *Little Red Riding Hood* and comparing a variety of different versions of this tale. Traditional Tales are intended to entertain as well as having life lessons to be learned from them and we hope the children enjoy delving into this subject. The other books we will be concentrating on this term are *On The Road* by Susan Stegall (a poetry text), *Dear Mother Goose* by Michael Rosen (a book of letters), *Shaun The Sheep* (a non-fiction unit of work) and *Ellsworth's Extraordinary Electric Ears* by Valerie Fisher (a fiction text).

Spellings are emailed to you at the beginning of each half term so that you can practise these with your children. The Year 1 and 2 children will be getting a weekly spelling test; it would be great if you could practise these at home as well. Year 2 will be concentrating on spelling rules and activities to support their reading and writing.

Phonics will take place daily for Reception and Year 1 children. We are starting a new Systematic Synthetic Phonics programme this term validated by the Government. The programme is *Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised*. This programme follows on from the *Letters and Sounds* we have been using previously and we will be providing more information on this shortly.

Reading is still an extremely important part of your child's education. As before, guided reading books will be sent home (as the children's main reading books) and will be relevant to the sounds the children will be learning in Phonics lessons. Each child will also have a book they can choose for themselves to read. These books are to promote a love for reading. Please could you read and discuss **both** these books with your child, to ensure they can fully enjoy reading them.

In Numeracy, children will be continuing to learn about addition and subtraction, place value, measuring, multiplication reasoning, money, time and shape.



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The children will continue to do PE this term on Monday and Friday afternoons. Please ensure your children wear their PE kits to school on these days. Warmer PE kits would be advisable at this time of the year!

We always love to see what the children have been doing at home to support their new learning and photos or digital work can be sent in via our admin email to share these.

If you have any questions about anything regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please email admin@kingsnympton.devon.sch.uk We will try to reply within 48 hours. If you need a phone call meeting, contact admin to arrange a mutually suitable time.

Kind regards

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