

Friday 16th November 2017

Year 1 - Elephant Class Term 2



Dear Parents and Carers,

Term 2 is now well underway. We have had lots of fun so far including learning about Indian and the Festival of Light - Diwali.



We began our term learning about Bonfire Night and we wrote Firework poems. We will focus on 'Our Senses' in Science looking at how they help us to understand the world around us. Our Creative Curriculum topic will be 'Victorians; Old Toys - New Toys'. At the end of the term, we will be doing lots of Christmas activities including the Christmas play.

English: We will learn about how to follow instructions carefully. We will be writing instructions on how to make a sandwich. We will be looking the life of Charles Dickens and his classic story the Christmas Carol (Muppet version). We will continue to practise writing sentences using capital letters, finger spaces, adjectives and full stops. We will learn about speech bubbles and practise writing our own for specific sections of the story. We will also be revisiting information writing and writing our Science observations.

Maths: We will continue to practise counting up to 50 and revising addition and subtraction and learning the number bonds to 10 and 20. Also, we will be learning to recognise and name some 3D shapes, tell the time using o'clock and half past and know the values of coins by buying objects.

Homework: As last term, your child will be given **English and Maths homework once a week**. Please indicate the amount of support that you give your child in their homework book. There will be no creative curriculum topic homework this term.

Spellings: Your child will be given spellings every **Thursday** and tested on the following **Thursday**. Please ensure that you continue to practise these with your child as they are already making great progress and using them independently in their writing.

Reading: It is important that your child is reading for approximately **10 minutes every day** as this will help to develop their reading confidence and fluency thus securing good phonic knowledge.

Just as a reminder, please ensure that **all** pieces of school uniform are clearly labelled **especially school jumpers**.

If you have any concerns or questions please contact me via the reading record or see me at the school gate.

Thank you for your support Mrs Attubato and Mrs Bowyer