

Key Stage One Newsletter

Spring term 2022



Welcome back!

I hope you have all enjoyed the Christmas break! It is lovely to welcome all the children back to school ready for a new term packed with lots of fun and exciting activities! We look forward to hearing their stories about all the wonderful things they have been up to over the last few weeks!

Topic this term

Our topic this term is '**Poles Apart.**' We will be studying a wide range of exciting texts on this theme in our English and topic lessons, including some Northern Lights poetry. In science we will be learning about polar habitats, food chains and how polar bears keep warm in such a cold habitat. We will also be making an igloo structure out of marshmallows and learning about the Inuit culture. Our geography lessons will focus on the location of the North and South Poles and surrounding oceans. We will study the climate in these extreme parts of the world and how they compare to the UK. After the half term holiday we will study Ernest Shackleton and Captain Scott as famous polar explorers (details to follow in the next newsletter.)



P.E

P.E. days remain the same this term:

Blue Class P.E. is on Wednesday mornings.

Yellow Class P.E. is on Tuesday mornings.

Orange Class P.E. is on Monday and Thursday mornings.

Earrings are not permitted and should be removed before P.E. lessons. Please note that staff are not allowed to remove earrings.



Happy New Year 2022!

from the KS1 team



Spelling Shed

Spellings will continue to be given each week and a paper copy of the spellings to practise will also be sent home. These will be tested during our phonics lesson on a **Friday.**

You should also be able to access a range of **Maths Shed** games activities for your child to help them to practise their key maths skills.

As always, if you have any questions please feel free to come and ask one of us!

Reading

Please make sure that you read with your child as often as possible, and **at least 4 times per week.** This really does make a difference in helping children to enjoy reading and helps to reinforce their phonics learning. Reading diaries will be checked weekly and children who have their reading diary signed 4 times each week will receive House Points and a reward at the end of the half term. Your child will have a set day for changing their reading books each week.

Many thanks for your continued support!

Miss Hislop, Miss Gallacher, Mrs Trenowden and Ms Grace. ☺