

Welcome back and a big 'how do you do?' to our new Adventurers. Mrs Robshaw, Mrs White and I are really excited to get started with a year of exciting Mini Adventures and will begin with 'Incredible Inventions'. This Mini Adventure will see us develop our chronological understanding by taking a whistle-stop tour through time as we find out about the greatest inventions of the Stone Age, Roman Empire and both Tudor and Victorian Britain. We will also be looking to technology of the future by designing and coding robots of our very own

<u>Reading Books and Nomework</u>

You should now have received your child's first reading books of this year. New books will be given out every Thursday. As children all read at different speeds and as the length and complexity increases, you may find that two books are more than sufficient. However, we can provide more if required, please indicate this with a message in your child's reading record. Although, I know it can be tricky to convince the children to read the same book more than once, but rereading texts is very important to help develop sight vocabulary and developing fluency and expression.

If any parents/carers/grandparents are available, we are always happy to welcome volunteers to listen to readers.

You should also have a new homework book. This contains a piece of literacy work and, from next week, will also include maths and some spellings. Homework books are given out on Friday and collected the following Thursday.

PE and Swimming

PE sessions will be on Wednesday so please ensure that your child has their PE kit. With inclement autumnal and wintery weather ahead, please ensure that you include a warm top and jogging bottoms for outdoor sessions. Swimming will continue in the usual Thursday afternoon slot. Remember that following swimming, children usually return to school at 3:15pm.

Forest Based Learning

On Friday afternoon, we will have our Forest Based Learning sessions. Children are still to wear their school jumpers, however they can wear warm trousers suitable for the outdoors. They may also wear trainers and would benefit from having a pair of outdoor shoes or wellies in school. We will provide children with a waterproof top layer.

Parent Meeting

Prior to parent consultations, we will hold a parents meeting to discuss general expectations for Year 1 and 2 pupils. This will be held on Thursday 3^{rd} October at 2:45 – 3:15pm, with slides available online to those unable to attend.

Many thanks

Mr Ríchard Pearson