



Class 1

Autumn 2

What a fantastic first half term we have had!! It has flown by but I am so proud of each and every member of Class 1 for settling into their new routine at school! To our Reception children- you have all been fantastic and taken to school life brilliantly! We have quickly formed a class family and enjoy each and every day getting to know each other better, discovering and learning new things! Our Year 1 children have been fantastic role models and really good friends supporting our new starters whilst having the challenge of gaining more responsibilities and learning in a more formal way. I couldn't be prouder of our Year 1's!

A big thank you to all parents/caregivers for their support last half term! We are very grateful!

Personal Belongings

Please can you ensure that all belongings are clearly labelled, including hats, scarves etc. Children are encouraged to look after their own things, but as you can imagine things do go missing or end up on a different peg or table. This becomes increasingly more difficult as we go into the colder months and gloves, hats and scarfs start to come into school so it is really important children begin to take responsibility for their things.

Cloakroom space is limited so please ensure that your child only comes to school with one bag and shoes are changed before coming into school.

Healthy Snacks

Please can you ensure that you send your child with a healthy snack e.g. fruit, yoghurt, crackers etc. As a school we do tend to have extra fruit left over so if you need assistance in this area, please ask. Please ensure that children only bring 1 snack with them to ensure they get the chance to finish their snacks. A reminder that we are a nut free school.

PE

Class 1 will have PE on a Tuesday (with Amber Valley School Partnership) and YR1 will have an additional PE slot on a Friday, children are therefore asked to come to school in their PE kits on these days.

Communication

Please feel free to come and chat to me if you have any problems or concerns, mornings can be a little busy so at pick up will probably be more suitable.

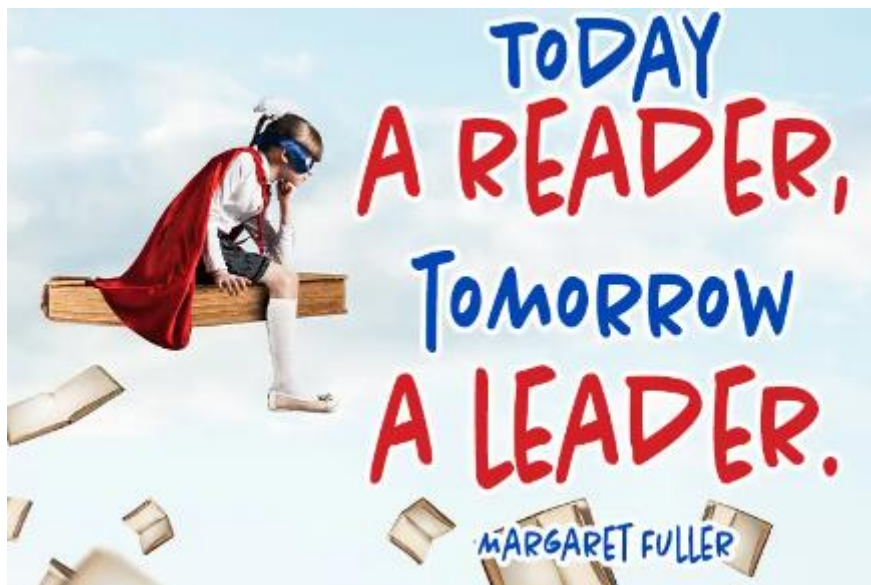
Alternativley you do have any questions please don't hesitate to email me or message me on dojo. (lgoold@southwingfield.derbyshire.sch.uk)

Home Learning

Children will be provided with weekly spellings, which are linked to what they are being taught in class.

Children will also be provided with a reading record, weekly reading books (aligned with individual children's ability) and this half term they will also be given a library book for you to share with them at home. Whilst I appreciate that the children may finish their books on the first night, keeping and practising the same books over the course of a week will increase fluency and confidence. In addition to this asking questions about the book will help develop their comprehension. I will add some further support ideas to the class page.

I cannot emphasise the importance of reading, I appreciate that family life is very busy but please try and set aside a **daily** reading slot, and record it in your child's reading record.



Please refer to the separate homework sheet for further information.



Christmas Production

I am delighted to announce that this year Class 1 and 2 will be putting on a nativity show for parents to attend. Details of this will be shared shortly.

Firefighters

As part of our Great Fire of London topic the children will be learning about modern firefighters, I have attempted to contact the local fire service but to no avail. It would be fantastic if any parents/carers know someone who works for the fire service who would be willing to come in and speak to the children about their job.

Diary Dates:

4th of November- INSET

6th of November- Dress as a Rockstar day

8th of November- Flu vaccinations

13th and 14th of November – Parents evening (more information to follow)

15th of November- Children in Need day- Children to wear something spotty.

12th of December- Christmas jumper day

17th and 18th of December- Nativity (more information to follow)

Best wishes

Miss Goold