



Pilgrims' Way Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers of Rabbit class children,



We hope you had a lovely half term. Welcome to Term 2. The children are all settled and ready to make fantastic progress.

Our theme this term is **Celebrations**.

We will be building on our learning from term 1 where we developed a sense of community in our class and became part of our school.

We learn about and celebrate Diwali and Christmas, starting with Diwali. We would love to involve you, please do post photographs of family get togethers, birthdays and celebrations on DoJo.

More details about the learning this term is on our website Rabbit page, and I will continue to share learning on DoJo with you.

Our outside area is now set up for learning in Winter. We ensure that children can experience all areas of the curriculum under our sheltered area. We go outside every day, please send a coat in with your child every day.

Reading and phonics

Developing a love of reading is central to our curriculum. Each Monday and Friday children may choose a book from our class library to share with you. Do let me know which books your child has enjoyed, by writing in their yellow contact book.

This term we will be taking children to our school library to enjoy a story and become familiar with the library.

If your child has begun reading our phonics books, their book will be changed each day and they need to read 5 times a week. I will be offering a workshop about phonics this term for parents and carers and will send you more details nearer the time.

Maths

The children love our daily maths sessions. This term we look closely at numbers within 5. It would be great if your child can count out objects with you at home, this really supports their maths development. We are planning a shape day, where we will do lots of fun activities around shape, with Caterpillar class which is our nursery class.

Forest school and PE

Thank you so much for sending the children in their forest school clothing on a **Thursday morning**. We continue to enjoy forest school on Thursday. We will also be able to have some additional sessions on Monday afternoons. This will be based around nature walks, so children don't need their forest school clothing.

PE will be outside on **Wednesday afternoons**. We will be learning to move around and find spaces safely. Please send in **jogging bottoms, t shirt and plimsols**. When it is cold, we ensure that the children wear a jumper or fleece too. Please name all items of clothing.

Our Nativity

All children take part in learning about and performing the Nativity. We provide the costumes and nearer the time, I will inform you which role your child has. The date for performing to families is currently set for **Tuesday 14th December at 2.00 pm**.

As I am sure you appreciate, re Covid we are currently in unpredictable times. We regularly review our Covid risk assessment and if it is not considered safe to invite parents in to school, we will video the performance and upload it for you. I will inform you as soon as I am able about what is happening.

Thank you for all your support. If you have any questions about your child's learning, please speak to me.

Kind regards

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