

Welcome to Term 2

The children have settled very well back into the school routine this week!

We had a virtual visit from the author Zeb Soanes to talk about his book "Gaspard the Fox".

We are continuing with our topic of Explorers and we will be learning about the continents and oceans this term.

Home Learning and Homework

This term the children will have access to some additional home learning sites. These will be used to compliment learning in school. All login in details can be found stuck in the front of your child's yellow reading record. If they are not there, please email me and I will send details to you.

Spelling Frame

Spelling Frame is a website with lots of games for the children to practice their spelling of words. It focuses on specific phonic sounds that we will have learnt in school. Each week I will post on the classroom webpage which spelling rule the children need to practise for **homework**.

Purple Mash

The children have had a refresher on how to use Purple Mash in school. I have set some fun games that the children can try at home. It is important that they are familiar with this website in the event that our bubble needs to self-isolate. Please also keep an eye on the class website page for any **homework** set on Purple Mash each week.

Bug Club and reading

It is really important that the children try to read **every day at home**. They will have a new reading book sent home every week - please remember to send in books and reading records every day so that we are able to swap books.

If you have any trouble logging into Bug Club or would like some more books, please let me know.

Website updates

I hope that you have found our class website page, if not, you can find it here:

https://www.mill-lane.oxon.sch.uk/website/year_1/512985

I will use this page to post weekly spelling rules and any other homework for the week. I will also update you on what we are doing in class, with some photos of the children and their work!

Lunches

The children are now able to have hot lunches at school. Please make sure that you send in your order form by the Thursday of the week before.

There is a two week rolling menu so you are able to order for weeks commencing 23rd November and 7th December by ticking the box on the order form.

Cold weather and clothing

As you are aware, we need to keep the classroom well ventilated throughout the day. As the weather becomes colder, the children will need warmer clothes or extra layers to wear indoors.

Please don't worry if you do not have extra school uniform to send in, any jumper that keeps your child warm is great.

We will also try to go outside even when wet, so please send in wellies and spare clothes in case they over do the puddle splashing! :-)

Dates for your diary

Here are a few key dates for your diary:

Friday 13th November - Children in Need Mufti Day

Wednesday 18th November - School Photos, wear school uniform - no PE

Week commencing 23rd November - KS1 Art Week

Friday 4th December - Christmas Bazaar

Week commencing 7th December - KS1 Christmas celebrations and crafts

Thursday 17th December - Christmas Jumper day

Friday 18th December - Last day of term (normal finish times)

Return to school Monday 4th January 2020

As we are unable to hold face to face meetings in school at the moment please email me using: Class1@mill-lane.oxon.sch.uk if you have any questions or would like to talk to me about anything. I will email or call you back as soon as possible.