



January 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back, and I hope that you all had a lovely Christmas! Everyone worked really hard in the Autumn term, sometimes in difficult circumstances, and it was certainly a well-earned rest for everyone.

Our topic this term is 'Natural Disasters' and much of our work across the curriculum will be based around this theme. Again, we will be handing out a homework task sheet to pupils based on this topic. It was wonderful to see the standard of some of the homework completed last term. Many pupils received several merit awards for their efforts and it was great to be able to hand out so many certificates at the end of the term. I'm already looking forward to seeing what is handed in this term!

Our P.E. lessons this term will continue to be on Mondays, which will also be combined P.E./Outdoor learning afternoons, so if pupils can come to school wearing the appropriate kit ready for these sessions, with wellies in a bag, it would be much appreciated. Our class will be swimming on Friday mornings - please refer to the information sheet sent out with the consent forms on 20th December, for details on correct kit and other guidelines from Sharley Park. It is important that children come correctly prepared to avoid any delays on the swimming morning.

Spellings will continue to be set weekly and handed out on Monday mornings, with the spelling tests being on Friday mornings. Pupils should be recording spelling test scores in their diaries, along with the test date. We will continue to upload the weekly spellings onto Seesaw in case your child loses the copy in their diaries.

It is really important that your child(ren) continue to read to an adult regularly, and any time spent at home supplementing the time the pupils spend in school reading will really be of benefit to them. Please continue to sign in your child's diary when you have listened to them read. We will continue to give out reading merits to all pupils who have read at least five times at home each week.

TTRockstars will continue to be available as a resource to help your child learn their times tables facts. If your child is not completely fluent with the multiplication facts up to 12 x 12, it is vital that they continue to work through the 'Garage' levels to give themselves the best possible chance of achieving their potential in Maths. Many thanks for your continued support. If you have any concerns or queries about anything at all, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,
Mr. P. Sharpe

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