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Yellow Class Newsletter – Term 2 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely half-term break. We are looking forward to a busy Term 2!

Important Dates

Term 2 is generally a very busy term in schools! Here is a list of key events that are already planned in, for you to add to your diaries:

Monday 30th October – Halloween Discos

Wednesday 1st November – Individual photos

Friday 10th November – Y2 trip to EG library – **Please let me know if you are able to help with this trip, between 10am and 11:15am.**

Friday 24th November – INSET Day

Friday 1st December – Stay and Read

Friday 1st December – Christmas Fayre 6pm-9pm

Tuesday 5th December – EYFS/KS1 Nativity @ 9:30am (more details to follow)

Wednesday 6th December – EYFS/KS1 Nativity @ 1:45pm (more details to follow)

Monday 11th December – Christmas Sing-a-long Event (after school – more details to follow)

General Information

Please continue to ensure that your child brings the following to school every day:

- School reading book and reading record (we aim to hear the children read across the week)
- A named water bottle (please only provide water, not squash or fizzy drinks)
- Waterproof coat
- A healthy snack (fruit is provided)

Some other general reminders:

- PE continues on Thursdays and Fridays. Children need to wear full PE kit on these days. Friday is no longer Forest School.
- Children visit the school library every Thursday – please ensure they return their book each week so that they can borrow a new one.
- Reading books are changed every Friday.

This term's learning

You will find on the school website and on Google Classroom the following documents that will give you more information about what we will be learning during Term:

1. Newsletter
2. Topic Web
3. Spellings

Reading

Children's reading was formally assessed at the end of term 1 so you may find that children are bringing home different reading books – either phonics books or coloured book-band books. Please continue to hear your child read their school reading book aloud as often as possible, aiming for 5x per week, and record the reading in their reading record. It is really helpful if you can let us know what is going well with your child's reading or anything you have helped them with. Adults in school will do the same when we hear children read. Thank you for your support with this.

Numbots

Children should continue to access Numbots for 10 minutes each week in order to practise and consolidate key number facts and skills. It would be great to see an increase in participation numbers this term. Certificates are given out during Friday's assembly for various achievements, House Points are given out in class for children who complete their minutes, and we love to see who is progression through the levels! Please let me know if you need a reminder of your child's login details.

The skills that children practise as part of their Numbots games really does help them with their maths in class so please try to fit in the 10 minutes – it really does make a huge difference!

Spelling

We continue to use ELS: Essential Spelling as our spelling programme, building on the phonic knowledge children learnt in Reception and Year 1.

The spelling overview document outlines the spelling rules/patterns which will be taught each week, along with some example words. Please support your child's developing spelling knowledge by practising the rules/patterns at home. Children's spelling will be assessed through weekly spelling dictations each Friday, where they are asked to apply the rules/patterns learnt that week.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Many thanks,

Mrs G Leech