



Star Class News

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year. I hope everyone had a fantastic break. The children have come back very motivated and I have enjoyed hearing about all of their adventures.

This half term the adults working in Star Class will be Mrs Simmons, Miss Key, Mrs Askew, and Mrs Roberts.

Our topics this half term will include learning about Winter, Space, Chinese New Year, Journeys and we will also be following the children's interests. A detailed outline of what we will be covering can be found on the class page.

We will be starting Rainbow Challenges this half term. An independent task will be set for the children each day and we encourage them to have a go and then once completed they earn a lollipop stick for their pouch. On a Friday they will hopefully have made a rainbow with the different colour sticks. We will then celebrate this learning on a Friday.

In terms of reading, children will continue to bring home reading books. We kindly ask that you leave occasional comments on Tapestry to share how your child is engaging with their books. It's crucial that you read with your child for about 10 minutes each day to foster their love for reading.

The Book Changing Days are as follows:

- Monday: Red and Green teams.
- Tuesday: Yellow and Blue teams.

For phonics, we will be continuing to learn Level 3 sounds and consolidating our understanding this half term.

PE will take place on Thursday mornings, so please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school to facilitate changing. This term it is dodgeball.

As part of your child's journey through Reception, we encourage teamwork and collaboration. Please send in observations of your child's activities, as it's wonderful to see what they get up to, and it can greatly assist in informing their profile on Tapestry.

A gentle reminder: please ensure that drinks bottles do not go into book bags, as they tend to leak. Additionally, it is important for your child to have a coat at school every day, as we will be playing outdoors whatever the weather brings.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me via email, or feel free to have a chat after school or through Tapestry.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Warm regards,

Mrs Simmons