



Dear Parents,

As we come to the end of the Autumn term, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a very happy Christmas. The children have worked so hard all term, and I'm sure are very ready to take a break and recharge their batteries!

Homework

As it is such a busy and exciting holiday, I haven't sent home any formal homework. However, I have attached the phase 3 and 5 phonic sound mats we use in class. These can be used to practise the individual sounds and actions ... I'm sure you have all heard "igh igh my pants are tight" by now! They can also be used when you are reading to prompt children to remember any sounds, or to support any writing they may want to do.

Our first maths topic in January is Time. It might be beneficial to chat in your families about what time of the day you do different things, what the days of the week and months of the year are etc. We will of course cover all this in the New Year, so it is by no means essential!

P.E

From January, the children will have P.E on a Tuesday afternoon. Please can they have their full P.E kit in all week.

Phonics

As some of you may be aware, we have the national year 1 phonics screening in May 2019. In preparation for this, and to support the children's phonics in general, Mr Ellacote and myself will be holding a phonics information evening for parents in January. Details to follow in the new year.

We hope you have a relaxing Christmas and look forward to seeing you on Monday 7th January.

Miss Ryder and Mrs Robinson