Reception Newsletter January 2018

Welcome back and a Happy New Year!

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and thank you to everybody for your very generous Christmas gifts which were much appreciated.

Your children have returned very happily – revitalised from the break - and we now look forward to a happy and productive term together.

The children are coming home with a revised curriculum map. We had originally planned to use ‘Traditional Tales’ as our umbrella topic this term but have now moved this to the Summer term. Instead, we will follow the theme of ‘Fire and Ice’ in anticipation of being able to use the weather this half term as a resource! Our focus story will be Hans Christian Anderson’s ‘The Snow Queen’ and amongst other things we will be incorporating some icy science investigations and finding out about animals that live in colder climates. After half term we will be exploring the myth of ‘The Phoenix’.

As part of our ‘icy’ theme next week we will be creating cold weather mood boards and would be grateful for any unwanted winter holiday brochures or cold weather pictures you may have.

And finally, a bit of housekeeping! To avoid muddy floor spaces in the classroom and to help develop the children’s independence and sense of routine, we are now asking the them to change into their pumps after being outside. As such, please could you make sure that your child has a pair of named pumps in school.

Thank you for your continuing support.

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