



Dear Parents and Guardians of Fireflies' pupils,

We would like to share with you some of the learning we propose to do in **Term 4**. Our topic is 'Time Detectives'. We are going to be looking at the past. We will start with an archaeological dig in our school grounds. We will be comparing new and old objects. Children will be videoed like news presenters talking about old objects that are special to them. Our role play area will be a class museum so please bring in any old items. For example, old mobile phones, coins etc. Please don't bring anything valuable. We would like to have someone who remembers what it was like at school in the past, preferably a grandparent to answer children's questions and discuss their childhood. If you know anyone available for this please let us know as soon as possible. We will finish our topic by making and burying our own time capsule.

### PE



PE is now on a Thursday. Please make sure kits are in school and that they are named and in a named bag.

### Half-term phonics games



Children will receive phonics games and spellings to practice over half-term. Please read with your child as often as you can. Children will receive Dojos when they read. Please have a go at using Literacy Planet and play word mania, the children are familiar with this game and compete with other schools. The logins are attached.

### Reading and Spelling

Please hear your child read as often as possible. It makes a massive difference to their progress in reading. Also, spellings come home on a Monday and the children are tested the following Monday.



### Readers

Could anyone spare some of their time to come into school and hear children read? We urgently need volunteers to hear individual children read. Please see any member of the Year One team if you can spare an hour or so each week.



### Homework

Well done to everyone who completed next term's project. The homework books should now be in school so they can be marked and this term's project stuck in them.

Finally, please remember we are here to help your child be the best they can and if you have any concerns, worries or ideas please do speak to us.

Best wishes,

Mrs Burns  
Mrs Kay

Mrs Clarke  
Mrs Percy

Mrs Holness