



# Year One

## Term 2



Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, can we say what a great term 1 we had, the children loved hearing stories about 'Percy the Park Keeper' and enjoyed exploring our 'forest', trying to find animals that may live there. They have very quickly settled in, to the routines of year one.

### Term 2

Our topic this term is 'To infinity and beyond...' We will be learning about space and the planets that are in our Solar system. We will also be using books by Claire Freeman (Aliens love Underpants) to take a light hearted look at who or what may live on planets other than Earth. We are looking at the structure of animals, for example those that have feathers, wings, four legs etc. and naming our own body parts. In maths we are using equipment to help us add and take away groups of objects and using the part, part whole model to help us answer questions. (Please ask your child if you are unsure of what this is). We are also learning lots of songs for our Christmas play.

#### Reading, Spelling

Please find 10 minutes to read with your child each day as this will really help to improve their reading skills. Books are changed daily so, please sign the contact book (even if you don't wish to comment) to avoid the book being sent back again. We are sending out 'spellings' each week for your child to practice, these do not need to be sent back to school.

Thank you

#### Homework

Thank you to the children who finished all of their homework last term – It was lovely to share your hard work with each other. This terms homework is all about Space and 'aliens'. It can generally be completed in any order all we ask is that you send the finished tasks in by the requested date. Children who complete all of the terms homework will receive a small prize.

#### PE

Premier Sports Coaches are continuing to join us on Monday Mornings. Class teachers will be taking a PE session on Wednesdays. Children will need to have their named PE kits in school at all times. If your child does not have a kit unfortunately, they will not be able to join in PE – they will be able to watch. If your child wears earrings for safety reasons please ensure they are taken out on both of these days.

#### Things to note

The weather is definitely getting colder and wetter now so, please ensure your child has a named coat in school. Please make sure that all jumpers and cardigans are named. Our Christmas play this year (together with year 2) will be 'It's a Baby' and we will be inviting you to come and watch us on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30 (more information to follow).

If you have any questions or concerns, please come and speak to your child's class teacher.

Thank you

Mrs Earles and Mrs Pope.