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Tuesday 8th January 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome Back! We hope you have all had a fantastic Christmas break.

Curriculum:

We will be learning about dinosaurs as part of this term's topic called 'Dinosaurs! Deadly and Dangerous?' Our first shared story of the term will be 'The little green dinosaur.' This story is based around a baby dinosaur who is searching for his Mum. We will be developing our numeracy skills through a range of practical hands on tasks, concentrating on number recognition, quantities, estimation and shape, space and measures. We will continue using the Read, Write, Inc programme for the introduction of phonics to our reception children. The children will now be working in small groups for the first part of the day with children that are of a similar reading ability and may work with some children from Hendra and Prosper class.

Reading Books and Action Words:

Your child will have lots of opportunities to read during the week and will read to an adult in class at least once a week. Please ensure that you read with your child at least three times a week, whether that is a school reading book, bed time story or a comic. When you have listened to or read with your child, please initial in their reading record book to allow us to track their reading and ensure each home read contributes towards the reading rewards scheme. Please ensure your child's reading book and reading record come into school every day to enable us to listen to your child as well! We will also be sending home words for the children to learn at home. High frequency words, sight words, key words, are the words that appear frequently in books for children and are usually learned using a whole word approach to reading. Each word that we send home will have a picture and action that goes with it. We hope that you will enjoy learning these words at home with your child.

PE:

Our PE days will be Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure your child has their full, <u>named</u>, PE kit in school at all times. No jewellery should be worn for PE (staff will tape over any earrings to ensure no snags occur) and hair must be tied back. We would like to remind you that PE kit consists of:

- Black shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms
- Plain white T-shirt (no large print or design please)
- Trainers or plimsolls
- Socks
- Tracksuits may be worn for outside PE during colder weather

Open Door Policy: We welcome your feedback on any aspect of your child's time in Reception, please pop in and see us after school to discuss any questions, queries or problems that you may have.

Here's to a great new year!

Mrs Hayes (class teacher), Mrs Cookson (HLTA cover on Thursdays), Miss Dash, and Mrs Cocks.











