

Queen Elizabeth II class

Hello and welcome back!

We hope you had a lovely relaxing time over the Christmas holidays and are now ready to start the new term! Thank you for all the thoughtful gifts, for both the team and myself.

Wow! Moments

Please keep sending in those amazing 'Wow Moments'! It is great for the children to share their achievements from home with their friends at school.

Phonics and reading in Foundation

Please continue to read with your child as it's really important that they read every night. We will of course continue to hear them read at least three times a week. The more they read, the more confident they will become and their reading will begin to flourish. Please ensure your child brings in their reading book and journals every day to allow us to change books and hear them read. To enable us to assess whether your child needs their book changed please sign, write a comment or tick if they have read the book.

In phonics we will start phase 3 and learn new digraphs (two letters making one sound) and trigraphs (three letters making one sound).

Spring 1 Phase 3 graphemes: ai ee igh oa oo oo ar or ur ow oi ear air er. Words with double letters and longer words.

New tricky words: was you they my by all are sure pure

I will continue to send home the weekly home learning sheets.

Learning this term....

The topic this term is Glorious Food. For this we will be look at a variety of different types of food as well as looking at healthy and unhealthy food. We will also touch upon winter weather.

In Maths we will continue to learn about numbers, part/part/whole and subitising; the ability to instantaneously recognise the number of objects in a small group without the need to count them.

For Literacy this term, we will continue developing phonics skills, practising writing of letters, words and sentences. Literacy will be linked to the topic. We will be reading The Gingerbread Man and creating text maps to help us learn the story

During RE this term, we will look at which stories are special and why. We will read and explore the New Testament stories.

In PE we will be practising balance through a variety of games.

For PSHE, we will look at our dreams and goals. What do we want to achieve this year?

We will continue to look at online safety throughout the term through the stories we read.

General reminders

- The class will be doing **PE** again on a **Thursday**. Please ensure your child comes into school in their PE kit.
- Your child may bring in a water bottle to keep in class. This can be used throughout the day. Please make sure it is clearly marked with your child's name.

Thank you

Mrs Friend, Mrs O'Grady and team.