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<u>Reading in Year 1</u>

Thank you for your continued efforts in reading with your child. Daily reading at home consolidates their phonic work at school and lays a good foundation for positive reading behaviours later on. We will read with each child individually during the week. Please try to read with your child every night and sign the planner.

Phonics homework - Remember it is not compulsory so please don't worry if it is not done. It will be given out on a Friday; to be returned by the following Wednesday. I do not want it to be a cause of stress so speak to me if you need to.

<u>Spring term areas of study</u>

English - We shall look at the book 'Lost and Found' alongside other penguin based books both fiction and nonfiction. Later we shall look at Traditional tales.

Maths - Place Value -Counting within 20 {moving onto 50/100}, addition/subtraction within 20, counting in 2s/5s/10s and measurement.

Topic/Science We shall be studying Polar regions and looking at seasonal changes.

RE- What does it mean to belong to a faith community and Easter.

PE/Music - with coaches for dance and music. Fundamental movement skills.

Art/DT- Penguin brusho pictures, igloo art.

General Reminders...

- Please ensure your child has their **PE kit in school** and that all items are clearly labelled. **Labelled uniform** would also help us a great deal.
- Please use the planners to communicate with us or ring the office if you require an appointment to see me.
- The children should have their own water bottle to keep in class which they can access throughout the day. Please make sure your child's name is written clearly on their water bottle.

Thank you,

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<u>Spring term areas of study</u>

English - We shall look at the book 'Lost and found' and other penguin books, both fiction and nonfiction. Later we shall look at Traditional tales.

Maths - Counting within 10/20, addition/subtraction, time, money and 3d shapes.

Topic/Science We shall be studying the Antarctic and penguins.

RE- Special places/times

PE/Music - with coaches for dance and music. Fundamental movement skills (walk like a penguin) Art/DT- Penguin brusho art, penguin/igloo construction.

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