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Wednesday 3rd January 2024,

Dear Parents, I hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas and the children are looking forward to the new term. During the next few weeks, we will be working on the following topics:

English: We will be looking at a new text called Oliver and the Seawigs. We will be using a Talk for Writing approach to make our own story maps and then writing our own finding stories.

Maths: This term we will be looking at Measurements including weight, volume, money and time. The children will continue to use their knowledge of simple number facts to help them work with larger numbers. We will also be regularly focusing on our Times Table knowledge.

History: We will be working on the Bronze Age and Iron Age and considering important events during this period of history. We will also link this back to the work that the children completed on the Stone Age at the beginning of the academic year, to look at how these were linked by time.

Science: We will start the term focusing on forces and magnets, looking at what makes magnetic poles special, as well as understanding that some forces act without contact. During this time, we will work scientifically on a variety of experiments and link this learning through our Design and Technology topic by making our own magnetic games.

The children will receive their homework grids and will be expected to complete at least 6 activities over the course of the term. We have been through the activities together in class and there are a variety of activities that your child can choose to do. Please let us know if this is a problem.



For your information:

- Children should continue to read as often as possible to an adult at home and record this on the digital reading log.

It is really important for the children to read as often as possible in order to develop fluency of reading.

- The children have their log in for their Times Table Rockstars, Rollama and Twinkl in their reading record books. They should be accessing these games frequently throughout the week at home to help with their Times Table skills, spelling skills and English content.
- PE will be on a **MONDAY and THURSDAY** until half term and children will need to continue to come in their PE kits on these days.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me
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Many thanks

Miss Abbott (Class Teacher)