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Dear Parent/Carer,

Please find below details of the work that your child's class will be doing during this term. We have also suggested ways in which you can help your child at home. Included with this information you will also find an overview of how we deal with behavioural issues in school.

Thank you for your support,

Miss Rowe, Mrs Bartlett and Mrs Tucker

Class: Reception

Term: Spring

Theme: Celebrations

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| Main areas of study: | <p>Our topic this year will focus on different types of celebrations including Chinese New Year, Dydd Santes Dwynwen, Easter, St Davids Day, Holi and Ramadan. We will look at the importance of these celebrations, the different religions, the different ways in which these are celebrated, the different foods that are eaten and any other important features.</p> <p>At the end of term, we will plan and design our own celebration and we will have lots of fun celebrating this in class.</p> <p>We will also be carrying on with the important phonics work using Read, Write, Inc. Children will continue to learn all the sounds and we will be focusing on blending to improve the children's reading. A parent session for Read, Write, Inc will take place in the next few weeks. Details will be sent out shortly.</p> |
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| <p>Ways in which you can help at home:</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Please talk to your child about any important celebrations/religious events within your family. If you have any special objects/photos that you would like to share with the class, then please bring them in.</li> <li>▪ We would welcome in any parent or family member with any knowledge or expertise of any special celebration within your family. If there is any skill or food/cooking that could be shared with the class then please let us know.</li> <li>▪ We will continue to send home reading books. Please ensure that you read frequently with your child and return their book on their allocated reading day. Flashcards will also be sent home to help with some of the words in the books.</li> <li>▪ PE day is every Monday – Please could children wear their gym kit to school on this day, we recommend long trousers or leggings, t-shirt, jumper and trainers. ALL long hair must be tied back, and ALL jewellery removed including stud earrings.</li> </ul> |
| <p>Ways you can help us?</p>               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Please could you label all your child's belongings including jumpers, lunchboxes and water bottles.</li> <li>▪ Please help your child to organise their things before entering the classroom e.g. snack, water bottle, lunch boxes and reading books on their day.</li> <li>▪ Please make sure your child brings a coat/jacket to school everyday.</li> <li>▪ If anything happens in school and we feel that you need to be informed about this, we will speak to you directly. If there is anything you need to raise with us, please do so either in person or through Class Dojo messages.</li> </ul>   |

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| Behaviour Policy | <p>We use positive praise and reward the children through class dojo points. The children decide on the class golden rules at the start of the year, and we always refer back to these.</p> <p>For pupils behaving inappropriately, sanctions will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Time out on the Thinking Chair/Thinking spot</li> <li>• Removal of dojo points</li> <li>• Loss of part of Golden Time</li> <li>• Loss of playtime</li> </ul>  |
| Other            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please could we continue to have 3 pieces of fruit from each child for the daily fruit snack time.</li> <li>• For safety reasons, if your child brings grapes in their lunchbox, please could we ask that they are cut in half length ways.</li> <li>• School dinners for Reception children are free so if your child would like to try dinners then you will find a copy of the menu here:<br/> <a href="https://www.swansea.gov.uk/primaryschoolmeals">https://www.swansea.gov.uk/primaryschoolmeals</a> </li> </ul> |

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