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Dear Parents

Discovery Class Curriculum Newsletter

I hope you have had a restful Christmas break and I'd like to welcome you to the spring term! Our enquiry topic for this half term is, 'What history lurks beneath our feet?' This topic is heavily based around our science topic on rocks and fossils but also has links to the Victorians. We would like to outline our learning for this term and remind you of our classroom procedures.

Please see the attached medium term plan for the learning covered in Discovery Class this half term. Please note, that all foundation subjects this term will be blocked, except for PSHE and French, which will still be taught weekly. If you have any resources related to our topics then we would be delighted for your children to bring these in and we will take very great care of them!

Homework, which is generally literacy and numeracy, is set each Friday and we normally give children a week to complete it. The maths homework sheets are usually split into three sections. Children should choose the section that they feel confident in starting but may have an element of challenge. Spellings are also given each week for the children to learn and there will be a spelling test every Friday morning. As a suggested guideline, homework should take 20-30 minutes to complete. If children are unsure of the task, we are happy for them to come and discuss their homework with us during the week. We are also pleased for parents to support their children. Tasks are related to learning that has taken place in the classroom.

The children will continue to bring home a reading journal, which should be used to record their reading out of school. We would ask that you listen to your child read or discuss their reading with them at least **three times a week**; signing their journal after the third read-children will get stickers and dojo points for this. During the week children can also earn dojo points and stickers for positive behaviour.

Children will continue to bring home a purple homework book for literacy and an orange homework book for maths, which contains homework tasks.

For PE, children are required to wear their PE kits into school and home again on the day that they have PE, which will be a Monday with Mr Holmes. There is no need for their school uniforms to be brought to school.

If you have any queries please feel free to arrange a time to discuss these with us or as necessary we can arrange access to the school SENCO, Mrs Devine.

We are looking forward to a fantastic term!

Yours sincerely,

Miss Hine, Mrs Cull and Mr Fudge