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Dear Parents,

Discovery Class Curriculum Newsletter

I hope you have had a fantastic Christmas break and I would like to wish you a happy new year and welcome you to the Spring term!

Our enquiry topic for this half term is, 'How can we embrace different cultures from where we live?' We would like to outline our learning for this term and remind you of our classroom procedures. Please see attached medium term plan for the learning covered in Discovery Class this half term.

If you have any resources related to these themes we would be delighted for your children to bring these in and we will take very great care of them!

Every Friday, the children will take home spellings to practise, a grammar activity and a maths activity linked to what we are doing in the classroom. We also require children to practise their times tables at home, there are lots of fun games to play and songs to help them learn them by heart. We normally give children a week to complete these tasks. Every week, the children will have a spelling test based on the spellings they have been learning for their homework over the week. These spelling tests will be completed in the back of their homework books so you can see how they have done. 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.

The children will continue to bring home a reading journal, which must be used to record their reading out of school. We would ask that you listen to your child read and discuss their reading with them at least three times a week; there will be dojo points for children who have done this. During the week children can earn even more dojo points and stickers for positive behaviour and attitude. At the end of each half term, there is a prize drawer for children who have earned the most dojo points.

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 Monday afternoons with Mr Lowman. 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 McLaurie.

We are looking forward to a fantastic term!

Yours sincerely,

Jenny Halliwell, Shirley Groves and Joanne Stephens