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YEAR 1 SPRING NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents / Carers,

Happy New Year from all the team! We hope that you all had a good Christmas. It has been great to see the children returning to school ready to continue working hard and we are all looking forward to a fantastic term with the children. We hope that this newsletter will give you an insight into what is going to be happening this spring.

What we are learning this term

Our topic this term is Knights, Dragons and Castles. We will be finding out more about the lives of knights, kings, queens, lords and ladies in medieval times including what they did for fun, what they ate and where they lived. In English lessons, we will be reading several class texts to inspire our writing such as 'Billy and the Dragon' by Nadia Shireen and 'The Egg' by M.P. Robertson. We will also be dealing with the problems that arise when Bevendean is visited by a lonely dragon. In the second half of the term, we will focus on non-fiction texts discovering and writing facts about castles. In Maths lessons, we will be continuing to develop our understanding of number before moving on to measurement after half-term.

Reading

Please to continue to prioritise reading with your child. Reading records will be returned and should continue to be filled in and brought to school every day. Your child will read with an adult in school at least once per week, either individually or in small group guided reading sessions.

Expectations

Year 1 have settled well and learned what is expected of them and it is important they continue with this. This includes following instructions given by adults, moving around school sensibly and quietly, showing good learning behaviour and showing respect to others. The school's Golden Rules are there to remind children of our expectations of them.

Uniform & Jewellery

It has been great to see almost all of the children in the correct school uniform and shoes (**black only please**). Please ensure that your child has the correct uniform every day of the school year. In addition, rings, bracelets and necklaces are not allowed. Earrings should be studs or hoops, but no bigger than a 5p piece.

Year 1 School Trip

After half-term, Year 1 will be participating in a school trip to Lewes Castle. This will be an exciting and informative experience for them and is a real highlight of the Spring Term. More details and information will be provided in letters nearer the time.

Dates for the Diary

Half Term Holidays: 14th – 18th February

World Book Day: Thursday 3rd March

Lewes Castle Trip: Tuesday 8th March

Class Photos: Tuesday 15th March

Parent / Teacher Consultation: Tuesday 15th March and Thursday 17th March

Easter Holidays: 11th – 22nd April

We hope your child is enjoying Year 1. As you know, it is important for your child to attend school every day in order to keep up with their learning and be immersed in the school's curriculum.

Please remember that we are always available to answer any queries or concerns and you are welcome to talk to us at the start or end of each day if you need to share any information. We are available everyday but if you need a quick response, leave a message in the office and we will ring you back as soon as possible.

We have really enjoyed teaching your children and are looking forward to another fabulous term with them all.

Kind regards,

Mr Kirkwood, Mrs King, Mrs Cullen and all the Year 1 team.