

LEA AND GARSDON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents,

Welcome back and a happy New Year to you all. I hope you had a great Christmas and that everyone is fighting fit and ready for a new term. Many thanks for all your kind gifts. Much appreciated!

There are just a few things to mention and to remind you of, which should help the term run smoothly:

1. Our topic this term is 'Get Moving'. A topic web is in your child's book bag to give you a good idea of the direction we will be taking our learning in, in all the curriculum areas. This has also been emailed to you. Hopefully this new topic will inspire some interesting 'Show and Shares', which will continue to be on a Wednesday afternoon. Mrs West will give your child a note (with a date) when it is their turn to bring in a 'Show and Share'.
2. I have given your child a new maths homework pack – this time with a counting focus. Although the homework does not need to be given in, I hope that you will have a go at doing some of the activities/suggestions, as a way of reinforcing and embedding the learning that is going on in school.
3. Spellings will continue to be given out and tested on Fridays. The spellings will be continue to be based on the phonics/ spelling that your child will have been working on at school. I may also send some of the Year 1 Common Exception words that I think I touched on at the Parent's Evening.
4. Books will continue to be changed on a Wednesday. I have recently checked the reading levels of your child's book but progress can be rapid and please do not hesitate to write me a note in their Reading Record book if you think that the books they are bringing home are too easy. Please record when your child has read and if your child needs a new book, please ensure that this is made clear. The Reading Record books should be kept in your child's book bag at all times.
5. Your child will also continue to choose a picture book each week, to share with an adult. They seem to enjoy doing this and it is lovely to hear the children recommending books to each other on a Wednesday morning!
6. P.E will continue on a Monday and a Wednesday. You have been amazing at remembering to send them in with suitable kit on these days. Many thanks!

Do ask if you have any further questions.

Best wishes

Melanie Phillips and the Apple Class Team