

ST PAUL'S C of E COMBINED SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Reception – Spring Term

Happy New Year! I hope you had a lovely Christmas holiday and are rested and ready for a busy, but enjoyable Spring Term! I would firstly like to take this opportunity to say a very big thank you for all our Christmas gifts on behalf of the whole Kingfishers team!

Looking ahead to the Spring Term, please continue to assist your child by ensuring they have everything they need in school each day. As a reminder, book bags, including reading books, are required in school every day. Please also ensure that your child has a named water bottle, filled with water only, in school daily.

Kingfishers should wear PE kit to school on **Wednesday and Thursday**. Please ensure they are dressed for the weather, especially as we have moved our woodlands learning to Thursday afternoon!

Reading

Please remember to hear your child read at least four times a week. You do not need to read a whole book in one session, a few pages are sufficient. Please record all reading on the BoomReader app and make a comment if there is something that you wish us to know – this could be something that went well or something that was tricky.

Reading books will continue to be changed on your child's changeover day. Likewise, library books will continue to be changed on Mondays. Please ensure your child's books are in their bags on the correct days.

Pick Up Routine

To ensure the safety of your child at the end of the day, please ensure that we know who is picking your child up from school each day (if this is not yourself). If your child is going to be collected by someone different, please email the School Office giving details of who is picking up and including a password if the person is not known to school.

<u>Dojo</u>

Please continue to share your child's learning experiences at home with us via Class Dojo – it was wonderful seeing so much of their home learning last term! Home learning is a very important part of your child's learning journey as it enhances their learning from school and instils study skills in preparation for the next stage of their schooling. It is also a great way for families and carers to be involved in their child's education, giving a chance to talk about their learning.

Topics

We have started this term off already by learning all about Antarctica. We have been looking at the landscape and the animals that live there. We will then move on to learning about The Arctic where we will be looking at the landscape, animals and life for those who live there, comparing and contrasting the two polar regions, and where we live.

We will also be learning about Chinese New Year this half term and taking part in the RSPB Bird Watch – more information to be shared on Dojo in the coming weeks.

Below is a weekly timetable to help you and your child prepare for school each day:

| Monday | Library books changed |
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| Tuesday | |
| Wednesday | PE – PE Kit to be worn to school |
| Thursday | PE & Woodlands – PE Kit to be worn to school. Please check the weather and send any extra layers into school too. |
| Friday | |

Any questions please do not hesitate to email the School Office and I will get back to you.

Kind regards Mrs Wingrove