



## EYFS – Spring Term 1 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy New Year to you all! I hope this letter finds you all well and that you have had a restful Christmas break. As we welcome the start of Spring Term 1, the EYFS Team would like to share our exciting plans for your Early Years learner.

This term, we will be exploring the fascinating topic of "Castles and Dragons." This Spring 1 topic will ignite our curiosity, imagination and knowledge and understanding of the world in the EYFS. To enhance our learning experience this half term, we are thrilled to announce an exciting dress up day on the theme of dragons and princesses. More details of the exciting activities and learning opportunities planned for the day will be announced closer to the event.

### **Little Wandle Group Reading Information**

Since the implementation of Little Wandle, all children in EYFS and KS1 take part in three reading practice sessions each week as part of our reading curriculum. As these sessions are a routine element of our teaching, staff will not write in reading diaries to record when they take place. Reading diaries will instead be used to communicate any additional reading in school and, most importantly, to record reading completed at home. Reading for pleasure and the sharing of books are also key parts of the children's reading diet; these opportunities will be regularly facilitated in school but will not be recorded in reading diaries. It is essential that all home reading is noted in these diaries, in line with the expectations set out in the Home School Agreement shared at the beginning of the year. Thank you for your continued support in developing your child's reading progress.

Our maths learning this half term will take us on a journey through numbers beyond 5. We will be using 10 frames, together with familiar everyday objects, to help us have a deeper understanding of the composition of number. Numicon maths equipment will enable us to visualize the difference between different numbers in a multi-sensory and fun way.

Please note that our PE days will continue to be on Wednesday and Friday. We kindly ask that children come to school dressed in their PE kits on these days. Please provide a named water bottle for your child too.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch.  
Wishing you all a fantastic term ahead.

Many thanks

Mrs Bingham and the EYFS Team