



Dear Parents and children

Welcome back. We hope you all had a good Christmas and are ready to start a new term. This term we will continue to spend two weeks learning 8 new Jolly Phonics sounds and then spend the following two weeks using these sounds to build words.

This half term we will be talking about toys, looking at different toys, including, old and new toys and toys from different cultures. After Father Christmas' recent visit we are sure the children will have lots to talk about! If they wish the children can bring in a photo/picture of their favourite toy, but please keep the real thing at home!

In maths we will be starting a new scheme called Big Maths. The children will begin to learn some number bonds off by heart; $1+1$, $2+1$, $2+2$, $2+3$, $3+3$, $4+4$, and $5+5$. We will also be practising reading and counting numbers to 10 and beyond. If your child is keen please practise them at home.

Please ask your child if their plimsolls and wellies still fit or come in and check them yourselves, some of the children may have outgrown them during the holidays or their wellies may have split. If you are buying new plimsolls can we recommend the non-velcro sort if you can find them, as after a short while the velcro doesn't do up properly and they can be dangerous.

Finally we would be very grateful for any empty cereal boxes (or smaller ones) for box modelling.

Thank you for your support
Mrs Waldwyn and Miss Jackson

