Happy New Year we hope you all had a restful Christmas break. We are looking forward to a fun and productive 2020.

**Literacy and English**

In writing this term our focus is creating suspense in our imaginative writing and learning how to write formal letters.

We will continue with Reading Teams through the ‘Read Write Inc.’ Programme or Literacy groups for those children who have completed Grey Level.

**Homework**

Reading: Each child will continue to receive a reading book from their reading Team teacher and a library book of their choice every 1-2 weeks. We thank you for your continued support in encouraging your child to read daily as this really helps with confidence and fluency.

Spelling: This term there is a focus on using Fry’s common words. These are words that are used most often in everyday reading and writing. Continued practice of these will help to develop both these areas. Each child will have individual word lists that they will be expected to practice in a variety of ways before being tested at the end of every 1-2 weeks. These word lists will be issued by the class teacher.

Homework grid: Another homework grid will be issued that allows your child to consolidate learning from different areas across the curriculum.

**PE**

Children have PE on: **Tuesday with Mrs Smith** & **Wednesday with Mrs Power**

For PE please ensure your child has a suitable kit and a change of shoes is very important.

**Numeracy and Maths**

In maths we are completing our work on 2D/3D shape before starting a unit of work on measurement.

Throughout the term we will plan for opportunities to develop problem solving strategies in numeracy and maths.

In numeracy we are continuing to work on the four operations (+,-, x, ÷) developing our strategies and independence in these areas.

**Interdisciplinary Learning (IDL) Topic**

This term we will study 3 mini topics:

- **RME - Christian beliefs and stories and other world religions.**
- **Technology - Developments in society through the years.**
- **Science – Patterns of movement from the sun and moon.**

**Specialist Teachers**

This term the class will have the following specialist teachers:
- Music: Mrs McInvoy
- PE: Mrs Power
- Dance: Mrs Smith

**Upcoming Events**

- Parent Consultations: 28th and 29th of January
- Term ends: Friday 7th of February
- All resume: Monday 17th of February