



Year 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

November 2009

Welcome Back! We have reached the magical term when festivities, fun and glitter all take over and the cleaners go mad at us! We do hope you have relaxed and enjoyed the break just as much as we have!!! Mrs Havard spent her time relaxing and Miss Jackson was a lady of leisure!

The children are working really hard to become more independent in the mornings but there are still a few parents who need to allow their children to bring in their own belongings. Please let the children organise themselves quickly in the mornings, by bringing in their own lunch box, reading books and any letters. They can do it!

Routines will mostly stay the same although may change due to rehearsals:

PE: Wednesday and Friday

Spellings: Given out on Monday, tested on Friday

Times Tables: Tested on Fridays from next week

Homework: Given out on Friday, due in Wednesday

We are focussing very hard this term on the individual needs of your children. We may from time to time send home additional work to assist and challenge them and we would appreciate your support in fostering our high expectations.

Reading has really taken off this year and we still encourage you to listen to your child read as often as possible. It really does make a difference. Please make sure that only you, write a comment or sign your name in the reading record book so that we know your child has read.

This term, our topic is **Dancing Around The World**. We all know that Miss Jackson is a disco diva on the dance floor and Mrs Havard is partial to the odd waltz! But what can the children do?! Better still, what dance moves can you teach your child?!! This is a creative and geographical based topic and each week we will be looking at one country, including, Egypt, Brazil and Nepal. Please encourage your child to investigate these countries by letting them loose in the local library or using your computer! Please don't purchase your child a one way ticket to such destinations-as much as you may want to! If any of you have the talent of Michael Flatley or can walk like an Egyptian..... Please let us know-the children thoroughly love having you in class.

Our school visit to Westonbirt Arboretum will shortly be upon us. Please make sure your child has wellies and an outdoor jacket for that day.

The Christmas performances will be held in December, don't forget to hand you ticket request in! Please encourage your child to learn songs and any dances/role play they may be in. Words will be sent home soon.

Please don't hesitate to grab us for a meeting if you need to speak to either of us. Our doors are always open.

Yours sincerely

Miss Jackson and Mrs Havard

