



5th January 2015

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you have all had a wonderful winter break!

Spring Term

Please look at the other side of this letter to see what is coming up during the next couple of weeks, including a trip to Leavesden Park this Thursday!

We aim to foster a love of learning for all children through their own interests and weekly children will contribute ideas for what they would like included in their learning. This term, topics include focuses on Frozen/ Winter, Bears/ Toys, pets, Chinese New Year, Farm/ Jungle animals, Dinosaurs, Easter/Growth. If you have any books, resources or photographs that would support our learning this term please bring them in. Make sure they are named. Thank you in advance!

Homework Grid

Later this week you will receive this half term's homework grid. Please choose one activity to do each week and return the grid to Reception each Tuesday.

Please ensure that your child's 'Reading bag' is in their bag every day, as we will be listening to readers throughout the week. Library books will continue to be changed on a Tuesday.

Personal Wall Space

Thank you for all the wonderful contributions to your child's personal wall space in the classroom. Please send any photos or exciting news from home to ahardiman@albanwood.herts.sch.uk so that we can continue to keep your child's space as up to date as possible.

Reception Fund

The children take part in lots of fun activities during their time in Reception. However, many of these activities require materials which get used up and often need replacing. Therefore we would really appreciate it if all parents could contribute £2 a term to allow us to continue to provide these resources. Please put the donation in a named envelope addressed 'Reception Fund' and return to the office.

PE

Please remember to leave PE kits at school throughout the week. They should include: Black shorts and a White t-shirt. PE will take place indoors this term. ***Please ensure all these items, as well as school uniform, are named.*** PE lessons will take place on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Can you help?

I would be very grateful if you could bring in any kitchen rolls, yoghurt pots and boxes for our junk modelling. Please check that items have not contained nuts or sesame seeds. We are also looking for empty hand wash bottles to use during our painting. Thank you.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries or concerns. Thank you very much for all your support.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Hardiman
Class Teacher



This week:

- If you have any Frozen books, figures or costumes which we could borrow for the week, it would be very much appreciated.

Thursday 7th January- Leavesden Park:

- Between 9am and 10.15 we will be walking with the children to South Leavesden Park to look for signs of winter.
- Please ensure your child comes with a coat with a hood and with wellies if they have some. It has been wet the last few days.
- As this is a local visit a permission slip is not required, but please make sure that your contact details are up to date in the office.
- If you would like to help a small group please do let us know by Wednesday so that we can allocate groups. Thank you.

Friday 8th January:

- We will be playing the film, Frozen on Friday as well as listening to the songs. As the movie is a PG please let us know if you are unhappy for your child to see parts of the film by Thursday.
- The children will also have the option of eating some popcorn, please let us know of any allergies. Thank you.

Monday 18th January:

- We would also like to invite Grandparents in to join us from 2pm to share photos/ childhood toys and childhood memories with the children.
- This will include enjoying a teddy bears picnic, where the children will be making their own sandwiches, as always let us know of any allergies your child has.
- We would also love your child to bring in their favourite bear on this day.

