



## Miss Arkley's Year 1 Class Spring 2



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Spring 2, it is lovely to see the mornings and evenings getting lighter... Let's hope that we are done with all of cold weather!! We hope you have had a lovely active half-term and we are looking forward to hearing all the news that the children are always so eager to share.

Our topic this half term is Kings and Queens which is always so much fun. The children will be learning about the British monarchy past and present and ending the term by having a royal banquet of our own. We are still working on our 'Animals' topic in science and have a special visit from Animal Antics this term where we will meet lots of different animals from the different classifications we have been learning about.

### Reading

Thank you so much for your continued support this year with reading, the children are really enthused and are so eager to read their books with us in school.

**Children will continue to be given 1/2 books each week and they must have their diary signed to say they have read both of their books before they can be changed.** This forms part of your child's weekly homework. Please send reading diaries and books to school each day so we can read with your child.

### Homework

**Maths - We will be continuing with the fact booklets and I will send 2 out per half term.**

#### **Spelling/ Phonics Homework**

Home work will be sent home weekly to consolidate and address gaps that the children have in their phonics knowledge.

### Water bottles

Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school every day. **Please remember that it must be just water in the bottle and not juice.**

### Supporting your child at home

Encourage use of useful websites on the school website under children/useful websites KS1. Helping your child with counting to and back from 100 and encouraging them to write at home; helping write shopping lists or notes for people. We will go through some ideas to support with phonics at the meeting on Friday, too. If you can do anything please continue to read little and often with your child, even 5-10 minutes per night! Read a page each to give confidence if needed.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Arkley and Miss Turner ☺