

Brazil Class Newsletter

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a fantastic Christmas break.

- **Phonics/Spellings/Basic skills**

Spellings will continue to be sent home on Tuesdays and spelling tests will take place the following Tuesday. Hopefully the new homework spelling resource is helping to add some variety to learning spellings and the children are practising more often. Please check their spelling tests and review any spellings they have not remembered. The children know that if they only practise their spellings once or twice they will only be in their short term memory. They need to practise regularly throughout the week for them to be transferred to their long term memory.

- **Learn-Its and Maths**

Please ensure the children have their yellow learn it books in their book bags. This term we will begin each CLIC session with a mixed times table quiz in order to keep practising previously learnt times tables as well as learning new ones.

- **Homework**

Please continue to hand in homework on a Wednesday. I will hand out new homework on a Friday.

- **PE Kits and Uniforms**

Please make sure that children have a warm PE kit at school. Key Stage 2 children go outside for most sessions (even if it is cold and damp). Some children still don't have long sleeved jumpers or PE trousers and are really cold during some of the lessons. We have a large class of children and it is much safer to be outside in a larger space than indoors. This term PE will be on Mondays and Fridays.



Topics / Learning Themes

- This half term the children will be learning about Anglo Saxons in both their history and art lessons. ICT will focus on Animation. In maths we will begin the half term with Multiplication, moving onto Measures. In English we shall be looking at Performance Poetry followed by Myths and Legends. We shall read a range of stories including Beowulf to link in with our history topic. We will then write our own version of a myth/legend. Our R.E. topic will be David and the Psalms.

- **Dates for your diary**

Parent consultations - **Monday 11th February** after school and the morning of **Tuesday 12th February**.

Thank you.

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