



Flitcham Church of England Primary Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a wonderful break and wish you all a Happy New Year! I am excited to be part of the Flitcham team and look forward to getting to know everyone.

This term we will continue with our English, Maths, Science and Art and Design learning in the mornings for year one and two. In the afternoons when we are joined by year 3, we will explore topic, computing, music and RE together, alongside PE and Forest School. The exception to this will be on Fridays when the Year 3's will be joining in the morning as well as the afternoon. However, these English and Maths lessons will be dedicated to arithmetic papers, phonics activities, reading comprehensions, and handwriting sessions, so as not to disrupt class teaching sequences.

We continue to encourage daily reading with your child, which should include not only listening to your child read but questioning them on the text, their understanding of the words used and what's happening in the story. Our current class text is Paddington by Michael Bond. Spellings will be sent home every Friday and tested the following Friday. The phonics reading books that we share together during the week will also be sent home on a Friday for you to read together over the weekend. Please return these to school every Monday.

In Topic we will be looking at The United Kingdom with a focus on town and country areas. In Science we will be thinking about the human body and exploring our senses. In D&T we will be exploring wheels and axles to create our own London Bus!

PE will continue to be on a Thursday afternoon and Forest school will take place every Friday morning.

Finally, our Christian value this term is Courage, and this will thread through our work during the term as well as our collective worship.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to come, and see one of us.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Herbert, Mrs Holness and Miss Wing