Dear Year 1 Parents,

Thank you for your time at parents' evening this week. It was lovely to celebrate the progress your child has made with you and we thank you for your kind comments and support back.

If your child has a speaking part in the Nativity, they will have been given their lines before half term. We will be starting rehearsals for the Nativity on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November. Please ensure your child knows their lines by then.

In History, we will be building on children's knowledge about what the past is. We will firstly be looking at key events in the children's lifetimes. We would be really grateful for photos of them. They could be from when they were babies or from important events like birthdays, baptisms/first day at school/important. Please bring a physical copy that they can stick in their history book or email your child's teacher. **Please do this by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November.** 

We have noticed several children are coming into school not in proper school uniform – specifically missing ties. Please ensure your child has the correct uniform and let your child's class teacher know if there is a reason why not. If there are any financial barriers to uniform, we will be happy to help.

Miss Angel and Miss Bates

# Dates:

 Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Odd socks day. Your child can come to school wearing odd socks

### Homework Tasks

- 1. Handwriting booklet (page 13)
- 2. Phonics book (page 16). u as in unicorn, u as in push.
- 3. Reading

Please read with your child every night and write in their reading diary. We expect children to read to an adult for at least 10 minutes 5x per week but preferably every evening. Books are changed on Mondays but they should be in school every day with their reading diaries.

Each week, children will be given:

• A physical <u>rocket phonics book</u>. The colour of this is chosen based on the sounds they know from our assessments in class.

- A digital rocket phonics book, accessible via Boost login. All children have been given a Boost login (stuck in their reading diary). This digital book is based on the sounds we are teaching in class.
- Physical reading for pleasure books. These books are picked by the children to maintain a love of reading. Children don't have to read these independently, they can have these books read to them.
- 4. Key vocabulary

### Science

- materials
- object
- wood
- metal
- plastic
- rock

# History

- past
- present

# English

- past tense
- present tense
- when (a time e.g. in the morning, after lunch, on Saturday)

### DT

- above
- below
- ground
- vine
- 5. Tricky words (we cover tricky words every Friday. This week's words to spell correctly are below)
  - oh
  - their

Please contact us if you have any questions.

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