



Kidmore End CE Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to school! We hope you and your family had a relaxing Christmas break and are looking forward to an exciting new spring term. We want to say a massive thank you for your wonderful generosity and for the lovely gifts that you got us all. THANK YOU!

As mentioned at the start of the year, it is an important year for your child as they continue to consolidate their prior learning and develop their independence. We will be focusing on the children becoming more independent this term. This includes children making sure they are bringing everything they need for the day and ensuring they are concentrating on their key skills (spelling, reading, times tables and homework) at home each week.

P.E

P.E this term will be on a **Thursday** and **Friday**. Kit needs to include outside trainers, jumper and tracksuit bottoms/leggings as PE continues to be outside, if possible, whatever the weather!

Overview of the spring term

<u>Maths</u> Multiplication and division Fractions	<u>English</u> Persuasive writing Balanced arguments Narratives
<u>Science</u> Sow, Grow and Farm Life cycles	<u>Computing</u> E-Safety, Video editing
<u>RE</u> Focusing on Islam	<u>History and Geography</u> Sow, Grow and Farm. Where our food comes from.
<u>PE</u> Gymnastics and Tag Rugby	<u>Art & DT</u> Nature's Art Eat the Seasons (DT)
<u>Music</u> Clarinets	<u>French</u> GCP- Hobbies

Music

Please make sure your child is responsible for their clarinet and ensure that they are bringing them into school each **Thursday**. Please encourage your child to practice using Charanga- maybe in the garage or in front of another family member to give your ears a little break!

Homework

All homework will continue to be issued on Google classroom and expected to be submitted on time (Maths out on Monday then in on Wednesday, English out on Wednesday and in on Friday.) Year 5 will continue to have their weekly spelling test on a Wednesday with spellings being set on a Wednesday. A termly list will also be available on google classroom in case you cannot access Spelling Shed.

Please ensure that you are continuing to encourage your child to read. They should read on their own daily and with an adult at least twice a week. Please feel free to record in the diary and encourage the children to continue to comment on their independent reading.

Key Dates

Parents' Evenings: Wednesday 7th & Thursday 8th February 2024

Half Term: W/C 12th February 2024

Should you have any concerns please email the office directly: office@kidmore-end.co.uk

We hope you'll agree that the children have made fantastic progress so far this year and have really worked hard! I am really looking forward to seeing what 2024 has in store for the children and all the wonderful things they will be getting up to.

With best wishes,

Mrs Thomas

Year 5 Teacher

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