



Scotforth St Paul's C of E Primary & Nursery School

"Let faith be your shield"

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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas. We have a very busy Spring term ahead. Our new topic is 'Superheroes'. Details of the curriculum we will cover this half-term are attached to this letter. If your job requires helping people and you would like to come and tell us about what you do and how you help people, just let me know! E.g. Police, Midwife, Nurse, Ambulance, Lollipop person, RNLI etc.

We will continue to have our student teacher, Mr Worthington, on his teaching practice for most of this half term.

We will continue counting how many times your child has changed their book to move up the 'Reading Rocket'. Well done to those children who have already reached the top! As previously, no formal written homework will be set this term, however the expectation remains that the children will read with you at home on a daily basis, and this should be recorded in their reading record book. Please don't feel obliged to write a comment (although this is always helpful) but an **adult's** signature or initials **is** required beside the date/day. I will read each week with your child during guided reading sessions. You will know that as your child becomes a more fluent reader, comprehension becomes a major focus of reading. To help you at home, there are some suggestions for questions you could ask your children whilst you are reading together on the inside front cover of their reading record.

Please continue to help your child at home by asking snappy addition and subtraction calculations that your child does 'in their heads'. Once your child knows their number bonds to 10, (i.e. $1+9=10$, $2+8=10$) doubles of numbers up to ten, and number bonds to 20 (e.g. $1+19=20$, $2+18=20$ etc.), you could then give them additions and subtractions within 20.

Our PE days are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Monday's PE lesson will be jointly taught by an outside coach and me, and will focus on cricket skills. Please keep **full, named** PE kits in school each day though, in case we take other opportunities to be active. Please check regularly that pumps still fit - it's hard to run around with cramped toes!

I am looking forward to a busy half term. If you want to know anything else, or have any queries, please do let me know.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Boyle and the Year 1 Team.

