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Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Welcome back, I hope you all enjoyed a happy Christmas! As we enter the third term, we are still very lucky to have Miss Stuart with us, who will be teaching Class 1 on a Tuesday, and Miss Welsh as Class 1 and 2's shared teaching assistant. This term, PE lessons will take place on Tuesday (outdoor) and Friday (indoor) afternoons. Please ensure your child has full PE kit in school for both of these days.

Topic: Our topic this term is 'What would it be like to live in London?' with our accompanying English book being 'Paddington'. This topic will act as a theme for learning across all areas of the curriculum. Any additional learning based on our topic done at home (research, art, trips etc) is always much appreciated. For more information on this, please see the attached curriculum map.

Reading: Reading with your child at home is a great way you can support your child's learning at home, so please continue to do so at least three times a week. Please make sure this is noted in your child's reading record. Thank you to the parents who have already given up their time to listen to children read so far. **If anyone else is interested in coming into school to listen to children read at a time that suits you we would be very grateful, please just let myself or the office know.**

Rockets: We will continue to issue Reading and Spelling Rockets for your child to practise at home. These spellings will continue to be tested on a Friday. Their ability to read these words is also important so please practise this skill with them as well. Your child will also have a new Fluency Fish in their home learning folders which will be tested at the end of this term.

Pick 'n' mix homework: Their new homework is in their home learning folders. As with last term's homework, this is optional and is designed to help you and your child share learning together in a fun and creative way. Children can bring in homework at any point throughout the term to be shared on a Friday as part of show and tell. Achievements that the children have accomplished can also be shared as part of Friday's show and tell (sporting achievements, Beavers and Rainbows badges etc).

Please can all reading books and records come into school every day. Please can reading and spelling rockets come back into school every Friday.

I have also sent home some more WOW vouchers in your children's home learning folders today so please keep continuing to send these in as they are lovely to read! As always, if you would like to discuss any of the information here in further detail, or have any questions about anything at all, please do come and speak to me after school.

Best wishes,

Holly Weir