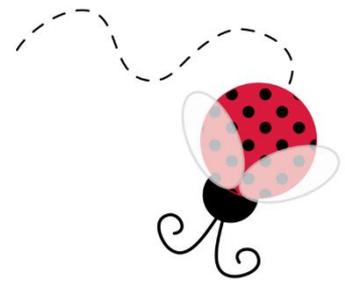


Dear parents and carers,



Happy new year!

Welcome back to a new term in Ladybird Class. We had a brilliant start to school last term where each child's confidence and social skills grew significantly. I hope that you can also see how much your child is developing with their Reading, Writing and Maths. This letter will give you a reminder of some of our routines along with any updates since last term.

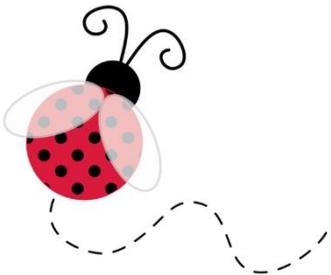
What to bring to school reminders:

A water bottle - Every child is encouraged to bring their own named water bottle to school so that they can help themselves to a drink when necessary. Please note that this must only contain water.

Appropriate clothing - Please make sure your child has weather appropriate clothing in school each day. Also, please make sure that all items of clothing are named. Some children are still finding it tricky to do up their zips so it may be beneficial to practise at home.

Reading record, Phonics books and Library book - Your child should now have their reading record book, a phonics book and a library book at home. Please try and read the phonics book every evening for 5-10 minutes and write comments in their book detailing the page that you have read to, any comments your child made and how they read. Also, stuck inside the reading record are the challenge activities which can be completed together with any reading that you do.

Tapestry - Observations of your child's key learning moments will continue to be posted on Tapestry. Equally, please continue to post your own photographs, comments, or WOW moments from home! The children love sharing these with their friends in class.





Other:

PE lessons will start this half-term. However, your child will not be required to wear PE clothing to school as we will be doing these activities with shoes and socks removed. The children will complete Music and Movement activities alongside Yoga in the hall. We will build up to more structured PE lessons after February half-term.

Reading bears - This half term, we will be introducing two reading bears which two children will take home each weekend to share stories with and promote a love of reading. When your child is selected to take one of these home, please ensure they are looked after. You may also wish to take a photograph of your child with the bear so that they can share their experience with the class. Please return the bears on **Monday** so that they can be quarantined ready to be sent out again the following week.



If you have any questions or queries, then please contact me via the school office.

Many thanks,
Miss Nicolson

