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Dear Parents

Happy New Year! I hope that you had a lovely Christmas and enjoyed spending some extra time with your children.

Topics

This term, our main topic will be geography based. We will be learning all about water and rivers. This will also link to our science work on solids, liquids and gases. In PSHE, we will be thinking about goals and dreams.

PE

We will be working with Natalie, our dance coach, this half term and these sessions will take place on Thursdays. Children just need their normal PE kit, which should be in the classroom boxes. **Outdoor PE will take place on Monday afternoons from now on.** It is really important that children have a complete change of clothes, with warm jogging bottoms and a waterproof jacket. Spare socks are also a good idea if it is wet. We do try to go outside each time, even if it is raining!

Reading

As always, please continue to hear your child read regularly. Even though many of the children are now fluent readers, it is really important that their vocabulary and comprehension skills are practised. Many children will simply 'skip over' difficult words when they are reading independently. If your child is not yet reading white level books, then please do try to hear them daily, if only for a short time.

As always, if you have any problems or queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me or to drop in.

Thank you for your ongoing support

Yours sincerely

Rachael Adderley