## KS 1 Spring 1Newsletter



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back and a happy New Year to everyone.

\*Our topic this half term is Castles and dragons. The children will be finding out about Kings and Queens from the past and the present day. They will be focusing on the current Royal Family. They will design their own dragon repeller and begin to think about the use of materials and properties. In Geography, the children will be exploring maps and local features using various maps, including aerial images. Please help your child with the topic by talking to them about their learning and helping them to think of questions they would like to have answered.

\*Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school on these days. Also, long hair must be tied back and any earrings removed or plasters provided, to cover them over.

- Class 4 Wednesday
- Class 5 Thursday
- Class 6 Friday

\*A reminder that water bottles are available to buy on a Monday for 50p or alternatively send in your own bottle of water with your child's name on.

\*If your child attends breakfast club, please can you try and send them in with either the correct money or with change.

\*Whilst the weather is cold and wintry, please make sure your child is dressed appropriately. We encourage the children to wear hats, gloves and scarves and girls need to wear sensible footwear. Please ensure you place your child's name in their belongings.

\*Please continue to check your child for headlice on a weekly basis to ensure that an infestation does not occur.

\*If your child has weekly spellings, please help them to learn these as they have an impact on their reading and writing in class.

\*A reminder that the KS1 (Class 4, 5 and 6) library is on every Wednesday in 'The Limehouse' (opposite the Nursery). It is open at 3.00pm. Thank you to everyone who has already visited and we would like to see more of you enjoying our lovely books.

## \* How you can help your child

Continue to read with your child and return reading packs and books each week.

Visit the KS1 library on Wednesdays.

Help your child to write the letters of the alphabet to help them be alphabet secure and to help improve handwriting.

Help your child to practice their weekly spellings or writing their full name, whichever is appropriate.

Encourage any opportunities for writing, lists, cards, stories e.t.c

Useful websites;

<u>www.BBC.co.uk</u> (KS1 Bitesize Literacy and Numeracy) <u>www.Lettersandsounds.co.uk</u>

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Simpson KS1 Leader