



Spring Term

January 2017

Key Stage One News

Welcome Back! We hope you all had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Key Dates:

The **Year 1** topic this term is '**The Victorians**'. As part of this the children will look at school life, lifestyle, clothes, holidays and toys from the past. To support our topic, we have arranged a trip to Beamish on **Tuesday 14th March** where the children will need to dress up in clothes from this period of time. We have a selection in school but it is limited and we will loan these out nearer the time.



- 19.01.2017** Spaced Theme Day (NT Catering Event)
- 23.01.2017** Golden Shot Assembly
- 25.01.2017** -Year 2 Trip to St Mary's Heritage Centre
- 28.01.2017** - Chinese New Year
- 07.02.2017** Safer Internet Day
- 08.02.2017** Sing Up Assembly Event
- 14.02.2017**- Valentines disco KS1 4pm to 5pm
- 17.02.2017**—Golden shot (children to wear sporty clothes)
- 14.03.2017**- Year 1 trip to Beamish
Parents evening will be first week back after half term.
28.02.17 and 01.03 17



The **Year 2** topic this term is '**Fire, Fire!**' This covers The Great Fire of London and The Great Fire of Gateshead. The children will look at how the fires started; how they spread; what changes were made after the fires and the diary of Samuel Pepys. We will also be taking a trip to St Mary's Heritage Centre in Gateshead on **Wednesday 25th January** to look at the events of Friday 6th October 1854 and the impact it had on the people and places close to the Quayside.



General Reminders

- Homework for Year 2 is due in on a Monday.
- Year 2 spellings will be sent home on Friday and tested the following Friday.
- Year 1 homework is due in on the dates recorded on the homework grid.
- Year 1 spellings will be sent home on a Tuesday and tested on a Monday.
- Library dates: 2A on Monday & 1TA on Monday
- P.E kits should remain in school and will be sent home every half term.

As it is still very cold all children must bring a warm coat to school. We also advise that children have spare clothing i.e. socks and trousers for the wet weather.



Thanks to all of you that are signed up to ClassDojo and make use of it as a communication tool.

As a school, we are very conscious of ensuring a good work-life balance and have instructed all staff to set their 'Quiet Hours' for weekdays (between 6.30pm and 7.00am) and over the weekend when notifications won't be pushed to their devices.

We would also like to ensure that ClassDojo is a place for positive communication only. If we need to discuss any behaviour issues with you about your child or if you would like to discuss any concerns with us, we would prefer to do it in person or over the telephone. Please contact staff in the yard or phone the School Office.

