

Dear Parents,

A very warm welcome to you all, we hope you had a lovely summer break. We thought we would put a letter together to explain a few things about Year One.

### **PE!**

PE lessons will be on a Monday. Please **come to school in your PE kit** with appropriate footwear. PE will be outside so please make sure they are wearing joggers/jumpers if the weather is colder.

### **Spellings!**

Spelling and Reading is the only homework this term.

The spelling sheet is attached to this letter showing the spellings we would like the children to learn each week up to half term. Although we practise spellings in school, we would really like the children to practise them at home too. Spelling tests are on a Friday.

### **Reading!**

This is the single most important thing you can do with your child. Reading is key to a lot of the children's learning at this age and therefore daily reading helps them a lot.

In Year One we join the rest of the school with the reading challenge. We check how many times the children have read each Friday and get a percentage of how many children have read 3 times or more. The winning class gets a special reading treat. Our aim is always 100% so please read with your child and record it in the yellow reading diary.

Your child's reading books will be changed on a **Monday** when they will be given 4 reading books for the week. Please leave these books and yellow reading diary in their bookbags as we often read with the children at school too.

Library books will be changed on a Monday also.

We have included a booklet to support reading at home that I hope you find useful.

### **Topic!**

Our topic this term is Superheroes. We will be looking at fantasy and real life superheroes as well as thinking about what makes us special. We are hoping to have a 'Superhero Day' at some point but we will send out details for that in the future.

### **Unwell!**

Please remember if your child is unwell or is showing any Covid symptoms, please keep them at home till you are sure they are well enough to come to school to make sure no illnesses spread.

### **It's good to talk...**

Please remember that we are here if you have any questions or problems. We are available at the end of most days for a quick chat or our email address is [class1jb@leonardstanley.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:class1jb@leonardstanley.gloucs.sch.uk)

We are really looking forward to a fantastic year!

Best wishes,

Mrs Bullingham & Mrs Jackson