



# Abbey Meads Community Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 2, we hope that you had a wonderful half term and a well-deserved break. This term, our topic will be entitled 'Antarctic Adventure', with a focus on desserts and polar regions. As you will see on the topic web, many of the curriculum areas will overlap creating a fun and engaging topic for your children.

We will be starting the term with our Curriculum Enrichment week which will be based around the author Jill Tomlinson and her book 'The Penguin Who Wanted to Find Out'. Thank you to all of the parents who helped their children to learn a poem for the Poetry House Cup Competition. This will take place during the first week of term, with the final being held on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

Outdoor PE will take place on a Tuesday for both classes and we will also be having an indoor Dance session in the hall on a Wednesday. This is run by Zoe from 'Dance Out' and will link to our topic and nativity. Please ensure that your child has appropriate wear for each session and that all items of clothing are named. Jewellery should not be worn for PE and hair should be tied back for safety. As we move into winter, please ensure that your child has appropriate clothing such as jumpers, jogging bottoms and trainers that will keep them warm during our outdoor PE sessions. Please could we remind everybody that the PE uniform is a white t-shirt and black or navy shorts/jogging bottoms. Children are required to wear their school jumper/cardigan.

We are excited to hold a Year 2 Nativity this year. More information about tickets will be sent out nearer the time. At the moment, the intention is that there will be 2 tickets per family and a choice from 2 production times. These productions will be held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 9:15am and 2pm.

Please continue to support your child at home with reading, spellings, number bonds and times tables. These systems will continue in the same way as last term.

Number bonds will be assessed every Tuesday and spellings and times tables will be assessed on a Thursday.

With lots of events taking place this term, please keep reading the weekly school newsletter to keep updated on all the latest news including important dates and information. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to come and speak to a member of the team.

Best wishes,

Miss Hayes and Miss Smith



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