

6 January 2015

Dear Parents and carers

We hope that you have had a fantastic Christmas and we wish you a happy new year!

We have a busy and exciting half term ahead. Please see our attached overview for details of what we will be learning. Our History topic for this half term is 'Toy's Through Time'. If you have any old toys that you would be willing for us to have a look at in school, it would be very much appreciated.

**Reading books and homework**

Children will continue to have the opportunity to change their reading books on a daily basis and can do this by independently putting their books into the swap box. Thank you for encouraging your child to read as often as possible. Homework will continue to be given every Friday and should be returned the following Thursday. Thank you for your continued support with this.

**PE**

Children will continue to participate in 2 hours of PE per week on Mondays and Tuesdays. The children will be participating in street dance this half term and will therefore need an indoor kit. Please could you ensure that your child's PE kit is clearly labelled as many of the labels have begun to fade and this makes it very difficult to identify who the PE kits belong to. Similarly to last half term, children will also need an outdoor PE kit for any extra curricular activities and require a pair of football boots for use on the school field during break and lunch times – these should have plastic moulds (not metal studs).

**Spare Uniform**

Our supply of spare uniform is becoming very low. If you have any of our uniform at home or have some old uniform your child has grown out of we would be grateful if you could send it into school. This could include trousers, skirts, t-shirts, jumpers, cardigans and underwear.

**Visits/visitors**

This half term we will be visiting York Castle Museum. The children will be taking part in a 'Toys Through Time' workshop. Children will take a peep into our old toy chest to discover toys from the past. Through hands-on exploration they will be encouraged to discuss the similarities and differences between toys, how they work, and the materials from which they are made.

As always, if you have any problems or queries we are available after school.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Manners and Miss Clarkson