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### Key Stage 1 Update

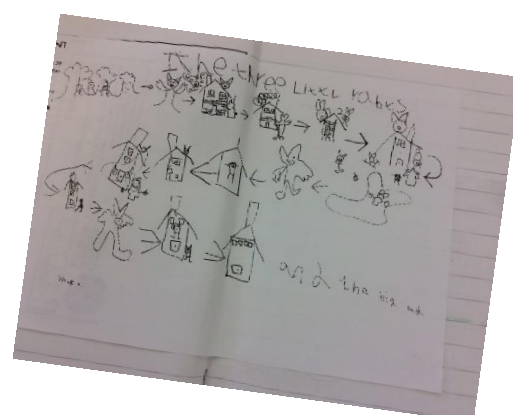
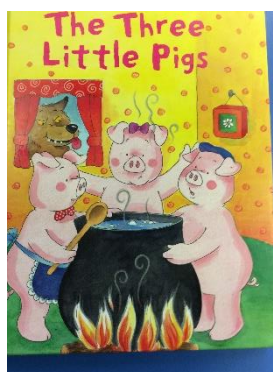
Dear Parents/Carers,

#### **Welcome back!**

We have been so impressed with how the children have settled back to school after the half term break. It is an exciting half term with the lead up to Christmas (how is it that time of year already)?!

#### **'The Three Little Pigs' Trip**

Firstly, thank you so much to those of you who offered to help with our trip. It is great to know we have so much support! The children are very excited to be going on a trip to the theatre and we have enjoyed creating our own versions of 'The Three Little Pigs' story in English. These even included 'The Three Little Fish and the Big Bad Shark', 'The Three Little Penguins and the Big Bad Polar Bear' and the 'Three Little Mice and the Big Bad Peregrine Falcon' ! We can't wait for our school trip now!



#### **Parents Evening**

This term the Parents Evenings will be taking place on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December between 3.30pm-6.30pm. The office are aware that you will be booking a slot with your child's 'Key Teacher', if you are unsure who this is you can either ask your child who their 'Tree Group' teacher is or the office will be able to tell you.

#### **Christmas Productions**

There will be no 'End of topic Assembly' this term as we will be inviting you in to see the Christmas productions. This year we will be having 2 Christmas productions. The Year 2 play is called 'Lights, Camel, Action!' with a Strictly Come Dancing theme! Year 1 will be performing a Christmas Concert with a Gospel twist. The children are already eagerly practicing their songs and learning some actions.

Both the performances will take place in St Mary's Church, with;

**Year 1 Performance taking place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December.**

**Year 2 Performance taking place on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December.**

Please come along with your singing voices as there will be some audience participation!



## Costumes for the Christmas Productions

Now the parts for the Year 2 nativity have been organised, children in both Years 1 and 2 will shortly be coming home with a slip of paper which asks you to provide a simple outfit. If you are unable to supply any of the items listed then please contact the office and we will do our best to ensure that your child has a complete outfit. If your child does not come home with a slip then this is because they are being provided with an outfit from our school nativity costumes.

A few reminders;

- Please ensure your children have the correct PE kit (please see the PE kit policy on the website). Girls in particular need to have socks in their PE kit if they normally wear tights.
- As the weather gets colder please could you provide your child with dark coloured jogging bottoms and a hooded top.
- Please could you ensure your child always has a coat in school, now the colder weather is arriving, as the school coats we have are for use during PE.
- Please name all belongings including coats, scarves, gloves, hats etc as the new KS1 lost property box is already full up!

## Rucksacks

Please could all children come to school with a Bransgore book bag rather than a large rucksack (unless it is for a morning/after-school club) as this is causing problems with trying to fit everything in the child's locker. This also keeps letters and reading/library books flat ensuring that they come back to school in good condition.

## Playground Update

Thank you to all the parents that have either donated time or equipment for the KS1/FS playground. As you can see it is slowly starting to take shape and we will carry on making improvements to the overall look of the playground when the warmer weather arrives in the Spring. The children enjoyed seeing the murals and we hope to add some more colour to the playground in the Spring.

If you would be happy to help out again in the Spring please let the office know and we will try to organise a Saturday for a 'Key Stage 1/ Foundation Playground Party'! If you are able to offer a particular service or skill (anything that might help us in our playground!) please let me know and I will be in contact.

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