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### **KS1 Spring 1 Newsletter**

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back and Happy New Year! I hope you had a lovely Christmas and managed to enjoy getting out and about despite the rainy weather. We would like to say thank you for all the kind words and sentiments expressed at the end of the Autumn Term in many of the Christmas cards and at the nativity performances. We hope those of you that managed to come and see the performances enjoyed them, we were so proud of the children and feel the new format of having separate performances enabled both year groups to have their moment to shine!

#### **Our New Topic 'Emergency!'**

The children have settled back into the routines and expectations of the class really well and we enjoyed listening to their Christmas adventures during our circle times this week. This half term our topic will be "Emergency" and is all about finding out more about the emergency services with planned visits from the RNLI and the Hampshire Air Ambulance already in the diary.

We had great fun launching our topic with lots of rescues taking place in the classroom!



We are hoping to hold a 'Be a 999 Hero!' on **February 8<sup>th</sup>** which will tie in with a visit from the Hampshire Air Ambulance Service, we would like the children to come to school dressed as any superhero of their choice...they could even make up their own! We will be asking for a **£1 donation** to be made to the Hampshire Air Ambulance and hope to hold a fundraising activity in the afternoon but we will confirm what this will be nearer the time.

If any parents, grandparents or anyone you know has any links to the emergency services and would be prepared to come in and talk about their job and answer some of the children's questions then please get in touch with the office.

#### **Forest Schools**

This half term we will be going to the forest a number of times as the children will be continuing their science study, exploring how insects and their habitat change through the seasons and exploring different areas of maths. Our first session will be **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January**. Children can come to school dressed in their own clothes and bring in appropriate footwear and outer clothing. **Please remember to ensure your child has a long sleeved top, long trousers, appropriate footwear and as we often work on the forest floor they will require waterproof trousers.**



## Reading

Please continue to enjoy reading the books available through BugClub both online or as a hard copy if you prefer, their library books that they bring home, and other books and magazines which they find interesting. Reading with your child for at least 10 minutes every day can have a great impact on all aspects of their learning as this helps to expand their vocabulary.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to talk to me.

## Important information

- Please can you ensure children are bringing in appropriate **P.E kit** for P.E. lessons, as stated on the Uniform Policy which can be found on the school website. In particular please ensure they have jogging bottoms and a separate warm jumper/hooded top. Also for girls, please ensure that a separate pair of socks is provided for use during P.E. if they are wearing tights.
- To help us return misplaced items to their correct owners, please ensure ALL items of property and clothing brought to school are clearly labelled with your child's full name.
- Bransgore is a 'Healthy School' and as such we provide children with the option of fresh fruit at snack time each morning. If you choose to supply an alternative, I ask that it also be a healthy nutritious snack and be accompanied by a bottle of water. Please can you also ensure that all snacks brought in from home are clearly labelled with your child's name on or come in a clearly labelled pot/box/sandwich bag.
- Can you please ensure you book all medications into the school office as there are forms that require completing before we can give medication to your child.



***Don't forget to look at the Key Stage 1 blog to keep up to date with all the exciting learning that is taking place!....This can be found on the school website.***

Thank you so much for your continued support with your children's learning.

**Miss Cox**

KS1 Leader