ROOM 11 YEAR ONE TERM FOUR

Welcome back to our last term for 2014.

I can’t believe the year is almost gone!

As you would have seen on Open Night the class have been working hard this year. We have come a long way since February but our Year One journey is not quite over yet.

This term in Phonics and Spelling we will be working on our new Letters and Sounds programme. I am putting more emphasis on Spelling in context (dictation) rather than lists. You can assist your child by continuing to help them learn to spell the magic 100 words in the orange folder that the children have at home.

If the orange folder has been lost, then you can use the hundred words on p31 of the Yellow Home Reading Journal.

The children can learn the words in isolation but then parents should give them the words in simple dictation sentences.

In Mathematics we will be consolidating in all areas. Children will need to use Maths Online at home to reinforce concepts. Parents can also give orally and in written form 10 mental maths questions at a time. e.g.: basic facts --- 10 +? =
15, 8 + 8 =?, what comes after, before or in between numbers up to 100.

Children also need to count by 2’s, 5’s, 10’s starting at any number and going beyond 100.

Children need to be able to count backwards from any number and go beyond 100. This is quite difficult for some students.

In Time children need to know

- Telling time to half hour and o’clock (digital and analogue)
- Naming and ordering the days of the week including yesterday/today/tomorrow
- Naming and ordering the months of the year
- Discuss the time duration of activities “the movie is two hour long.” “next week is when we go away”

In Money children need to know

- Recognise coins and notes
- Recognising the value of coins and notes
- Counting coins of the same value i.e. 5c and 10c to $1.
- If you wish you may do shopping activities with your children
- Encourage them to be involved with a lunch order from the canteen
In Society and Environment, later in the term, after our major testing is completed, we will be looking at festivals around the world and then looking at how different cultures celebrate Christmas.

Towards the end of this term we will be finishing the year with some Christmas Arts and Crafts. Then the children will have lots of decorations to take home.

Regards

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