



# Ernesettle Community School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Merry Christmas! We hope you will have an enjoyable Christmas break with your children, they really deserve it after all of their hard work this term. Next term in Year 2 our topic is 'How are you?' Within this topic, we will be learning all about our health and fitness and will focus on personal development, Science and History as well as researching how other cultures stay fit and healthy. If you have any links or contacts with sport coaches or chefs, please could you let your child's class teacher know.

To begin with, we will be learning about healthy foods, getting enough exercise, the history of medicine and what hospitals and drinking water are like around the world. The children will be introduced to some new and interesting sports including hockey. To launch our topic, we will have a visit from a head chef from a local restaurant and will make healthy and delicious pizzas with the children. We will also learn what do to in an emergency and learn basic first aid skills with a visit from a trained paramedic.

In English we will be reading a book called 'The Disgusting Sandwich' by Gareth Edwards and learning how to write instructions to make our own disgusting sandwiches! We will then read 'Alice in Wonderland' by Lewis Carroll and create our own setting description for an imaginary land of our choice. Any extra practise at sentence writing with adjectives would be greatly appreciated! We will continue to practise handwriting daily, using the cursive style so that children develop speed and confidence with their writing, making sure capital letters and lower case letters are of the correct size. Maths will focus on the children's ability to apply their skills to solve problems within multiplicative reasoning. Any additional times table practise for the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables would be fantastic please. We will also challenge the children to be able to learn division facts too.

Homework expectations continue to include reading at least three times per week, completing a weekly spelling sheet and a weekly home learning task. Homework books should be handed in on a Thursday so that new spelling sheets and homework can be added and your child's spelling test score can be reported. Please look out for any key messages or reminders on the weekly homework activity sheet that is handed out on a Friday.

We may take the opportunity to go outside for PE so please could you ensure your child has appropriate footwear as well as a pair of tracksuit bottoms to put over their PE shorts to keep warm. Please be mindful that your child will lose break time if their kit is not in school on PE days, which is a Tuesday for 2RL and 2SB.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Little and Miss Burring

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