

Telford Infant School

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Dear Parents,

We hope you and your children have had a lovely half term break. Your children have all settled in well to year 2 and are now familiar with the routines and expectations, we are all very proud of them! Our theme for this half term is 'A Mixed Up Fairytale'. In History, we will be commemorating the First and Second World Wars and learning some of the songs the soldiers would have sung back then. We will also be celebrating Christmas in lots of different ways throughout December, please keep an eye on the school newsletter for important dates.

Learning to Learn evening

We hope you will be able to attend our Learning to Learn evening on **Wednesday 27th November at 6.00 pm**. All the PowerPoints and resources used at the evening will be available on our web site. If you need any support helping your child learn at home please do not hesitate to pop in and arrange a meeting with your child's class teacher.

Celebration of Learning

A home-school relationship is very important to help children learn and to ensure that you have lots of opportunities to come into school and see what your children are learning, we would like to invite you to our Celebration of Learning event. This will take place on **Tuesday 26th November from 3pm to 3.45pm**. This event will take place in your child's classroom and provide you with an opportunity to look at the learning in their books with them and together choose 3 pieces of learning (English, Maths and topic) that you are both really proud of. Further details and a reminder will be sent out nearer the time.

Grandparents' Glitter Day

Following the success of last year, we are hosting another Grandparents event which will take place on **Friday 29th November.** Grandparents will be able to come to either a morning or afternoon craft making session, where they will help their grandchild make a range of Christmas crafts - tickets will be booked via eschools. For further information please see the letter sent out just before half term.

Carols at Christmas

This year the children will be attending St Mary Magdalene's Church for Carols at Christmas on **Friday 13th December at 10.00 am**. Some children may need costumes and we will send out these parts in a few weeks. There is space in the church for 2 people per child and further details will be sent out in due course.

Home Learning

We have enjoyed seeing all the fantastic home learning the children have been completing and sharing in school. Please find the new takeaway home learning menu for this half term in your email.

Reading

Please remember to write in your child's reading diary every time you listen to them read. We will also write when we listen to them read in guided reading or individually. We recommend that you try to hear your child read every day and remind them to change their book two or three times a week (we also regularly remind all children and show them how to change their books correctly). Please ensure that your child has their reading diary and book in school every day.

As a parent you can register for free with Oxford Owl who have a wide range of FREE ebooks suitable for children of all ages. Their web address is: <u>https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/</u>

<u>Uniform</u>

Please make sure that your child brings a warm, waterproof coat to school throughout the winter months, both for playtimes, and to enable us to learn outside if appropriate.

Please make sure that your child has a named PE kit (including jogging bottoms, jumper and pumps or trainers) in school every day as PE days can often change.

Please remember that children should only wear small, plain hair accessories in blue, white, grey or black and long hair should be tied back. If children wear earrings, they should be small studs which they can remove themselves for PE. If they can't remove them then they should be able to tape them up themselves.

Water bottles

It is important that your child has a water bottle with them every day. Water bottles will continue to be sent home DAILY so that they can be washed and refilled ready for the next day. This really helps to combat the spread of germs in school and eases congestion at the water fountains in the mornings.

<u>Birthdays – a reminder</u>

We love celebrating your child's birthday with them which we do in class and as part of our celebration assembly. Your child is invited to donate a book to the classroom library to share with their friends. As a healthy school and due to allergy and dietary requirements of the children, we no longer give out birthday sweets.

We are looking forward to a great half term of learning in Year 2. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher.

Kind Regards

Year 2 Team

