



**HOLLY  
CLASS**  
Mrs Makin  
Mrs Bell

## ***DISCOVERY***

### **WELCOME BACK**

Welcome back to Year 1 & 2!  
We hope that you all had a fun and restful summer break.

**Our topic this term is 'Discovery'.**

We are going to be explorers and discover more about the world we live in by looking at the question:

**Why is our world wonderful?**

There will be lots of emphasis on key skills this year such as reading, spelling and maths. Please use the following resources on our website to support your child at home:

*ELS Harder to Read and Spell Words*  
*Common Exception Words for Year 1 and 2*

#### **Spellings**

Weekly spellings will begin week commencing 15<sup>th</sup> of September. Towards the end of the term, we will also introduce Maths Homework.

#### **Reading**

Essential Letters and Sounds (ELS) is our phonics scheme. Year 1 will be completing Phase 5 of the ELS scheme and will continue to bring home a decodable text. Year 2 will now complete the ELS Spelling unit. This will continue to support their phonics knowledge as well as giving them the confidence to apply this to their spelling. To begin with, your child will be bringing home 2 books each week- a decodable (phonics) book and a reading for pleasure book. Once the children have been assessed on Accelerated Reader, this process may change. More information will be provided at this time.

If you have any concerns or just want to ask a question either pass on a verbal message at drop off or email the school office.

We look forward to an enjoyable term!  
**Mrs Makin & Mrs Bell**

### **Routines**

#### **Physical Education**

This terms P.E. will take place on a Friday. Please ensure your child has a complete and named P.E. kit in school at all times.

#### **Forest School**

Forest School will take place in Term 4.

#### **Reading Books**

*Phonics Decodable Books* - the change date is a Friday.  
*ZPD Accelerated Reader Books*  
- the change date is on an individual basis, once your child has completed the text.

#### **Reading at home**

Please try and listen to your child read  
child read  
AT LEAST 3 times a week.  
Remember for every 2 times your child reads with an adult at home they receive a reading star which is worth 10 house points.

#### **Wellies**

Please send your child in with a NAMED pair of wellies into school ASAP.

#### **General Reminders**

Please ensure your child has the correct school uniform, a coat and a NAMED water bottle in school at all times.

**This terms Christian value is: Caring**