# Happy New Year!

We hope that you've all had a good break and are ready for another exciting term!

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#### Spring Term Learning:

Our topic for this term will be

### 'Explorers'

This topic covers much of our History learning for Year 2. Please see the accompanying topic web to show you what your child will be learning about in more detail for this first half term. As you can see the children have an interesting and busy time in front of them!



#### P.E

Please ensure your child wears their PE kit on Thursdays and Fridays for the first half term.

Outdoor P.E will continue, so please make sure your child has appropriate outdoor kit.

All children are expected to we -

- Trainers
- PE t-shirt (white or WB green)
- PE trousers (plain blue/black)
- Tracksuit trousers or leggings
- A WB school jumper or black/blue hoodie

#### Homework – helping your child:

**Reading** - Your child will continue to bring home a reading book which they are expected to read to an adult **5 times per week**. Please can we ask you to fill in the appropriate part when your child has read. Your child is encouraged to change their own book when needed and is given time to do so. Please check in their book bag at the end of school and if the book is missing – send them back in to get one!

**Reading comprehension** – a separate letter will be sent next week about this next week. Please check bookbags.

**Mathletics** - Your child has a password on their reading journal that gives them access to 'Mathletics' on the internet, a great way to learn as well as being good fun. Please encourage your child to log on each week and aim to earn a certificate which will be given out and celebrated in school.

**HomeTalk – SchoolWrite** – please support your child with this half termly activity to help develop their talk for writing skills.

#### Keeping in touch.....

Please remember that we are always happy to speak with you about your child – after school is generally the most convenient time as before school can be a little rushed.

Please also communicate on year2@williambarnes.dorset.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Gilham and Mrs Palmer

#### Upcoming dates –

7<sup>th</sup> January British Values Day

10<sup>th</sup> January Explorers WOW day

 $\mathbf{1}^{st}$  February Trip to Wessex Water

18<sup>th</sup> February BREAK FOR HALF TERM

