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Dear Parents,

We wish you all a Happy New Year and look forward to another busy and productive term in Thames Class.

This term we will be having PE lessons on Monday afternoons with Mrs Yates, and on Thursday afternoons with a Mr Piper, from Ignite Sport. We ask that children have jogging bottoms and the Radley Primary Sports jumper in school, in order that outdoor lessons can continue during the cold weather.

Outings this term will include a trip to Stonehenge to support our history topic, as well as a visit to the Radley College Science Laboratories to further develop our science topic.

The children will be studying the following topics across the curriculum this term:

English	Biography – imaginative person and famous scientist Report – linked with history Fantasy/adventure story Journalistic writing
Maths	Four Operations, arithmetic and problem solving Fractions, Decimals and Percentages Algebra Geometry: Angles and Shape Geometry: Position and Directions
Science	Light Investigations and Fair Testing (Science Oxford competition)
Computing	Internet Safety Audio editing (podcasts and adverts)
History/ Geography	Stone Age to Iron A Types of Settlements
DT/Art	Cave drawings Silhouettes Observational drawing - still life techniques Collaborative collage Flying machines
PE	Ignite Sport Dance Circuits
RE	Hinduism – Karma, Samsara and Moksha Christianity – Significance of Easter
Music	Composition and notation
MFL	French
PSHE	Dreams and Goals Healthy Me

We will be setting the children homework and spellings to learn weekly. On Fridays, the children will receive a list of spellings and some homework. The spellings will be tested on the following Friday, while the homework will need to be completed and brought back to school by the following **Wednesday**. We also encourage children to read for pleasure as much as possible, and to record when they read, practise their spellings and practise their times tables in their diaries. There is a page in their diaries with a list of websites that they might use for learning, as well as their logins (if one is required).

If your child is finding their homework difficult, please do speak to us, or encourage your child to ask us for some extra help and explanation, rather than letting any worries “brew”!

We always welcome your help and support with your children’s learning and if you feel there are any areas of this term’s curriculum that you may be able to contribute to, please let us know.

Thank you for your support.

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Thames Class Teachers