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Dear Parents / Carers,

Autumn 2 already! We hope you all had an enjoyable half term break and are feeling refreshed. It was lovely to meet with lots of parents at our recent parents evening and get to know the children even better.



Our core text for this half term is 'The Day the Crayons Quit'. We have already made a start reading the letters to Duncan and will be using these as a basis for our own writing of captions and a simple letter.

In Maths, we will be adding and subtracting small amounts, using practical equipment and counting on and back. We will explore 'fact families', for example $8+1=9$, $1+8=9$, $9-1=8$, $9-8=1$ and the relationships between numbers. Towards the end of the half term, we will be learning about 2D and 3D shapes.

Our Science topic this half term is 'Materials'. We will be naming different materials, thinking about where they come from and their properties. In History, we will be finding out about old and new toys, comparing toys we play with today to those from the past. We are learning about illustrators in our Art lessons and making observational drawings. The lead up to Christmas is always exciting and we will be sharing the Christmas story and practicing for our nativity play as part of our RE learning. November also sees Remembrance celebrations and Anti-Bullying week.

Our PE days continue to be Tuesdays and Fridays so please remember to wear PE kits on these days.

We are working hard to learn our 'Tricky Words' and these can be found at the front of your child's reading diary. Please aim to read **at least 3 times each week** and sign the reading diary once you have shared the book or words.

As always, please do not hesitate to pop and see us if you have any questions or concerns. Our door is always open!

Kind regards,

Mrs Rodgers and Mrs Macdonald