



Week beginning: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019



Welcome to the Spring Term! I hope you had a wonderful holiday and are rested and refreshed.

Just a reminder to send in your child's PE kit this week. Our PE days will be Mondays and Thursdays for the rest of the year.

**Thank you!**

Mrs Curds and I would like to say thank you so much for the lovely and very generous gifts you and the children gave to us at the end of last term. We are overwhelmed by your kindness.

**This week's focus for phonics**

- Phonemes **qu, sh, ch, and th**
- High Frequency words **be, up, look and for**
- **Please keep practising the sounds and words at home.**

**Prime Areas**

Physical Development	Communication and Language	Personal, Social and Emotional Development
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scissor skill practise eg cut out a snowman</li> <li>• Share our holiday "news" with each other</li> <li>• Listen to the story of "One Cold Snowy Night," identify characters and describe the beginning, middle and end of the story</li> <li>• Revise our Golden Rules and the importance of working as a team and sharing fairly</li> </ul>		

**Specific Areas**

Literacy	Numeracy	Understanding the World	Expressive Art and Design
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Write a simple sentence of holiday "news"</li> <li>• Practical addition, focussing on using appropriate language - add, and, plus, makes, altogether, equals and total</li> <li>• Investigate push and pull and identify it as a force</li> <li>• Free choice use of media to create a wintry picture</li> </ul>			

**How you can help at home**

This week we will be sending home a new booklet of sounds that your child will be learning at school this term. Please practise the sounds that your child has learnt in class, these are listed weekly in the "phonics" section above. Look out for some new high frequency words in your child's zippy wallet too and practise reading them all as often as you can.

**Finally, now the children are settled into our morning routine, from next Monday we would like them to start to walk into Ash class independently with their friends or siblings in the morning. If your child is not ready to do this then do please continue to come down with them in the mornings.**