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Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas!



It's fantastic to see all of the children's excited faces again and catch up with the wonderful things they have done over the Christmas holidays. We believe that all the naughty elves have returned to the North Pole and peace has returned to your homes once again! 😊

Our Topic this half term is "POLAR LANDS" and we will be finding out amazing facts and information about these very different environments.

Curriculum

Details of our curriculum can be found on our school webpage.

<https://www.stbernadetteswhitefield.stoccat.org.uk/>



We regularly update TWITTER/X with lots of the activities and adventures that we get up to in Reception. Don't forget to take a look and like/comment upon our posts. They give a real flavour of what your child is getting up to each week.

Journals

Please sign your child's journal **each evening** to let us know that you have read, practised word boxes/sheets, completed a handwriting task etc. Remember, regular 5-minute short activities, will really benefit your child much more than one long session.

Reading Books:

Please remember to send your child's reading book back to school on their allocated book changing day (Tuesday – Daffodils; Wednesday – Buttercups). Books returned late will not be changed until the following week.

Please ensure that you sign your child's reading journal **each night**. If the journal has not been signed we will assume that you want to keep the book for another week.

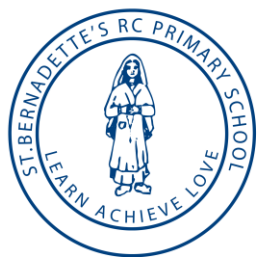
Winter Clothing:

Please ensure that all hats, scarves & gloves are labelled with your child's name as we already have a huge amount of clothing that we cannot reunite with its owner.

Coats:

We are working hard in school to improve children's independence particularly around putting on/taking off & fastening our own coats. Please could you practise this skill at home too? It will really help your child in school. Thank you.





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Water Bottles:

Over the last term a number of books were ruined due to water spillages in children's reading bags. For this reason, could you please ensure that water bottles are not put inside bags? Children can carry them in and put them into the area within the classroom. Thank you.



End of the Day Routine:

If your child has forgotten their jumper/cardigan, hat, scarf etc. at the end of the day, please either wait until all of our children have been dismissed safely to their adult or ask your child to look for it the next day. This is to ensure the safety of our children leaving the classroom at home time. Could you also pass this information on to any other adults who collect your child? Thank you.



Lunar New Year

The children in Reception will be finding out all about the Lunar New Year this half term. We will hold our Lunar New Year celebrations on Thursday 30th January. More details to follow.

Once again, thank you for all your help and support; we really do appreciate it.

The Reception Team

