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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see all the children back at school after what I hope was an enjoyable and restful Christmas holiday. The children settled in to their new year of learning well and are producing some brilliant work.

A few reminders;

- Please make sure all uniform and a PE kit is named. We have many 'nameless' jumpers that have taken refuge in our classroom.
- PE kit needs to be in school from Monday morning and will be sent home on a Friday evening for washing over the weekend. We will have a minimum of two designated PE lessons a week, with the first being on a Monday.
- At break time, children can eat a healthy snack (no crisps, biscuits or chocolate) and we also have toast on offer. If your child would like this, then the cost is £10 for the half term.
- Children are encouraged to drink water during the day and a named water bottle should be in school for this.
- All children are expected to be reading each night. Could you please remember to write any comments in each evening and to return them to school each morning. We do appreciate all your support in helping your child to develop their reading and we recommend a minimum of 10 minutes is spent on this per evening. It really does make a difference. Yesterday, you received a bookmark with questions to ask your child after they have read, to determine their understanding of the text.
- Homework is set on a Friday and will consist of a Maths activity (approx. 20 mins), an English activity (approx. 20 mins for Year 3/30 mins for Year 4) and spellings to practise. This is due in on the following Wednesday. Any activities set on Education City will expire on a Wednesday.

Please find attached an overview of the topics and subjects we will be covering this term in Dahl Class. This will give you an idea of the tasks the children will be completing during the exciting IPC topic of 'Active Planet'. If you, or anyone you know, have any knowledge or experience that could enrich this topic learning, please do get in touch with myself.

If for any reason you need to see me, please feel free to do so, even if it is to make an arrangement for an after school meeting, when I can give you more time. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours Faithfully,
Mrs Jackie Hext