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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the Spring Term at Brixton St Mary's, I hope you have enjoyed a restful Christmas holiday and are ready for another busy term!

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you that PE will be on a Wednesday and Thursday again this term. It is important that all items of clothing, PE kit, coats and school uniform, are named to avoid any lost belongings (particularly Year 6 hoodies!). PE kits need to be in school from Monday morning and can be taken home on a Friday evening if needed for washing over the weekend. Homework, including spellings, will continue to be set on a Friday, with homework in on Wednesdays and spelling tests on Fridays.

During this term, those of us in Class 4 will be continuing with our topic-based curriculum, covering cross-curricular units of work based on different themes. Our topics during the Spring term will be History "Who were the Mayans and what have we learned from them?", Science "Could you be the next CSI investigator?" and Geography, "Why is Brazil in the news again?" During our first topic, we will be researching the rituals, inventions and lifestyles of the Mayans in History, we will be writing setting and character descriptions in English, and we will be designing and making pyramids in Mathematics and Technology.

If you can, please discuss with your child the work they have done as the term progresses and let them teach you. If you have the chance to further their interest in the ideas of this theme please take it, but your enthusiasm and interest are most important. If you have any comments or questions about your child's learning or you feel you could contribute to the teaching of the topic in any way, please get in touch.

Kind regards,

Miss C Kinning

