



Firstly, happy new year! I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas break and Santa brought you all the presents you asked for in your letters. I managed to get myself back on the good list as I received lots of lovely presents!

This half term will be very different to any other since the National Lockdown was announced this week and providing lessons online. I want to take this time to reassure you that our school remains a safe place with many measures in place to ensure adults and children remain safe at all times. We will be taking a blended approach to our learning this term with many lessons being taught LIVE through Google Meet. This is something new to us all so please bear with us whilst we iron out any glitches that may occur. Google Classroom will be used a lot more over the coming week with information about how and what lessons will be taught online or live and the code. As well as tasks to be completed too. Please check this daily. If you have any concerns or comments or need a little extra support, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Together we will get through this challenging time whilst still providing the children with the best chance at gaining high quality education. Working together has never been more important.

This half term our focus is SPACE! 3...2...1...BLAST OFF. We will be looking at Neil Armstrong and his historical moment of stepping foot on the moon. As well as creating different rocket sculptures (it may be a good idea to start thinking about what recyclable materials you have around the house - especially that fairy washing up liquid bottle).

As well as this we will be looking at the continent of Africa and completing a comparison between their location and our own.

Reminder:

Check Google Classroom each day. This will be a fantastic way of communicating together. Work will be set and marked within a time frame. Feedback will be given in a range of ways. Keep reading with your child at home. We have arranged for a reading book to go home. Once this has been read and the children have had the opportunity to discuss what they have read, contact me and we can arrange swapping books. Any books returned will be quarantined for 72 hours before coming back into circulation.

Also, please keep checking the school website - it has more information about our skills based curriculum and is being updated with more information regularly.

Stay in contact! Send us lots of pictures of work being completed and plenty of smiles too.

Stay safe! 😊