

# Ruby Class Newsletter

## Spring Term 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after what was hopefully an enjoyable Christmas break. Firstly, we'd like to thank you for your support during the autumn term. It helped your children to settle easily and we are pleased to report that they have made a good start to the year. We are now ready to embark on another busy term, and starting new topics.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for all the lovely Christmas cards, wishes and gifts we received.

Our main themes for this term will be 'Where does snow go?' 'Why do snakes not have legs?' and 'Why do ladybirds have spots?' Within these topics there will be many opportunities for you as parents to join us and share our learning experiences.

We are continuing with our phonic work. There are videos on our school website to help your child learn these at home - in the parent section under 'Supporting reading at home'. The children are becoming increasingly confident using letter names and sounds. They are practising segmenting and blending CVC words in their reading and writing, e.g. c-a-t, p-o-p, sh-ee-p.

We will now be sending home reading books three times a week with your child. It really makes a difference if you can read with/hear your child read as often as possible. Please make sure their book bag comes to school every day - with their diary. Please write comments in here about the books you have read with them.

In Maths, the children are confident with counting and we are starting to practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s, as well as adding and taking away. We are also learning about 2D and 3D shapes, so we hope the children are pointing them out to you when you are at home!

Please could we remind you that your child needs their PE kit in school each day and please ensure all items of school uniform are named.

Many Thanks,  
Bethany Doyle and Paula Roffey