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This Half Term's Learning – Reception

Dear Families

This half term (Spring 1), your child will be learning about **'The World Around Us'**. To help your child learn about this we will be reading stories about different places in the world and also looking at non-fiction books. We will be linking this theme to different subject areas.

Literacy	We will be doing our daily phonics in small groups from this half term and continuing to apply our phonics in our reading and writing. We will be labelling pictures and drawing story maps too.
Maths	We will be learning about the numbers 6, 7 and 8 by counting, comparing and partitioning. We will investigate weight, capacity, height and length.
Personal, Social & Emotional Development	We will be reminding each other of our class rules after having our Christmas break, talking about what we are good at and sharing our special talents. We will also be thinking about how we recognise the feelings of others.
Communication & Language	We will be using lots of new vocabulary linked to our topics and learning some new songs too! We will be taking part in small groups to develop our Speech and Language skills.
Physical Development	We will be improving our pencil grip in Kinetic Letters sessions and using the grip whenever we write. We will be developing our core muscle strength by having a good posture when sitting at a table or on the floor.
Wider Curriculum	History - Explorers People, Culture and Communities - Chinese New Year The Natural World - Under the Sea, the Arctic and Antarctic, land and sea animals, the environment and floating and sinking. Expressive arts and design - Making sea creatures using a variety of colours and textures.

If you have any questions, please come and see a member of the team.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Bellerby, Mrs Carroll and Mrs Lester
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