



Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that you have had a wonderful Christmas!

Our topic this half term is 'How can we help Cinderella have a ball?'. We will be learning all about castles and will end the topic by visiting Warwick Castle!

In History we will be thinking about how and where people lived in Medieval times. We will think about Royal families in the past and consider the Royal family that we have now.

In Geography we will introduce the children to castles in Britain and talk about their features. Children will develop their understanding of the different features of castles and why they have these features.

In Science the children will be introduced to making predictions and will carry out a simple experiment using different ingredients.

In RE the children will be thinking about special people including themselves, their peers and members of the community. This will then lead on to finding out about people who are special in religious communities today.

Muddy Mondays will continue this half term. Now that it is so cold we would like you to send your child to school in their Forest School clothes- as many layers as possible please as well as hats and gloves. Please ensure that everything is named. If you can send your child's uniform to school with them in the morning we will get them changed after Forest School.

We have been very lucky to have purchased a large number of reading books. The children's books will now be changed on a FRIDAY and they will be given two books- one which is phonically decodable and will match the sounds that we have learnt so far and another 'enjoyment book'. The enjoyment book will be denoted with a sparkly sticker and is a book that you can look at together. We will no longer be allocating books by coloured book band, instead our reading books will match the sounds that your child is able to recognise.

Please talk to a member of the team if you would like anymore information about reading and please continue to read at home everyday with your child.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Foundation Stage Team