



# WINHILLS

## Year 1 and Year 2

### Fortnightly Newsletter

#### English

We have had an exciting start to the term in our English lessons. Our text is 'The Princess and the White Bear King' and we are using this as our inspiration for our writing. The children have made predictions about what the story is going to be about based on objects from the story and by looking at the front cover. We have started to explore the characters by writing descriptive sentences and the children in Year 2 have also written a diary in the role of the princess.

#### Mathematics

The children in both Years 1 and 2 have been building on their understanding of number and place value. In Year 1, we have been reading and writing numbers, as well as ordering both consecutive and non-consecutive numbers. We have been making numbers using a variety of equipment. In Year 2, the children have been identifying the place value of each digit in a number and using equipment to represent numbers in a variety of ways, including in a number sentence.

#### Science

In Science, the children have begun to learn about materials. We have been identifying different materials and finding objects that are made from them.

#### ICE Zone

Year 1 and 2 are enjoying our new topic all about Castles. We had a wonderful start to our topic with our History Off The Page Castle day, where the children experienced what life would be like in a Medieval Castle. In history, they have been sorting Medieval and modern day objects and in geography, they have been locating capital cities in the UK.

#### Reminders

Please note that PE is on a Monday this half term. As the weather is turning colder please ensure your child has tracksuit bottoms and a jumper in their PE kit, as well as shorts for indoor PE. Please ensure that your child has either trainers or plimsols in their PE kit.

Please make sure that the children are completing their **homework** every week, as well as **reading** with your child every day so they receive their '**5 reads and a book talk**' award. To gain the book talk award please write in their reading records that you have discussed the book and what happened. Homework should be handed in on Monday and new homework will be given out on Wednesdays. If you would like to do some extra counting or telling the time at home with the children, this would really help them with their learning in the classroom.

Please also ensure that your child has a named coat, wellies and water bottle in school everyday. Thank you for your continued support.

**Nurture**

**Inspire**

**Flourish**