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Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed a peaceful and happy Christmas.

This term our Learning Journey is 'Time Travellers'. We will become historians to find out how children lived in the Victorian and 50/60s eras, compared to how children live now.

We will ask questions about real and photographed artefacts (toys, transport, home cleaning machines, toilets, clothes) from the different eras to uncover what is the same and what is different about life then and life now.

As part of this Learning Journey, we will be visiting Bygones Museum in Babbacombe. A more detailed letter outlining the trip will be sent out next week.

During the second half of the term, the children will develop their design and technology skills by becoming toy makers.

Useful Information

PE

Okehampton: Tuesday and Wednesday

Lydford: Tuesday and Wednesday

Dartmouth: Tuesday and Thursday

Please ensure that your child has their full PE kit in school every day, including appropriate footwear. Please include tracksuit bottoms and a warm top to wear outside too. If your child does not have the appropriate kit in school, they will be unable to take part in their PE session due to health and safety reasons. Your child's class teacher will inform you each time your child does not have the appropriate kit.

Reading

We are keen to encourage a love of reading and so request that every child has an opportunity to read at home each day. Your child will continue to bring home their individual reading book either from our book band boxes or from our school library for you to share together at home.

The library is open each day between 8.30 and 8.40am. You can take your child along to the library to change their book using their school library card.

Homework

All homework is set on a Friday to be returned by the following Tuesday. Literacy homework is in a red folder. Maths homework is set via MyMaths. If you have any trouble logging into the MyMaths portal, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Volunteers

We are looking to recruit parent volunteers who would be willing to read with children from each of the KS1 classes. One hour a week can make a huge difference. If you are interested, please let your child's class teacher or Ali in the school office know.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to speak to your child's class teacher.

With best wishes,

The KS1 Team

Mrs Walmsley, Mrs Martin, Miss Frost and Miss Boulton