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Dear Parents,

Welcome the start of the Spring 1. Our topic this half term is '**Journey into Stories**' which will include some more work on Traditional Tales plus some stories about journeys. Please find a planning overview for this half term detailing the curriculum areas we will be covering.

**Reading books:**

All children will have a reading book each week. This will be sent home on Mondays (Year 1 children) and Tuesdays (Reception children) to be returned the following Monday or Tuesday. In addition the children will bring home one of our 'core books' from the year which will be very familiar to them. Please read this together and let them join in where they can. **NB We don't have multiple copies of some of these core texts so it is important to send this back the next week so everyone gets a turn with their favourite stories.**

**Phonics Homework:**

They will also all have Phonics homework sent home on a Wednesday to be collected in on the following Wednesday each week. **This will continue to include some spellings for Y1 children to learn for the following Wednesday.**

**Reception Parent visits in class.**

Now the children are fully settled we would love you to come in and see what they are doing. This could be for the first hour on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday morning. Please speak to Mrs Wilkinson to arrange a day that suits you best.

**Please don't hesitate to come and find one of us either before or after school, if you have any queries, however small about this or any other matters about your child. We are always happy to make a time to talk with you.**

Yours sincerely,

**Melanie Wilkinson**, Class 1 Teacher (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and Wednesday afternoon)

**Karen Blythe**, Class 2 Teacher (other afternoons) **Mrs Carney** (Thursdays: Science)