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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you all! I hope you had a lovely Christmas holiday and I just wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone for the lovely Christmas cards and messages of kindness etc. that you sent in – it is very much not expected, but greatly appreciated!

Please find attached the planning overview for this half term by subject. Our Topic this half term is 'This is our UK' and we are exploring the countries and features of the UK in Geography, whilst enjoying 'The Queen's Hat' and 'The Colour Monster' in Literacy.

Homework will continue to focus on Maths, to be sent home and collected on Fridays each week. It is expected that you are also reading at home regularly with your child – the reading books are changed once your child has read both books three times. They will continue to consist of one 'Read, Write Inc.' Phonics book plus a 'Book bag Book' that matches the sound featured in the Phonics book. Please encourage your child to access 'Nessy' for 10 minutes each day, to help with their reading fluency.

Please can you encourage your child to use the White Rose app 'One Minute Maths' – children can use it to practice a wide range of maths skills, improving their speed and fluency. This half term, we are focussing on Addition and Subtraction, Doubling and Halving, Composition of numbers 11 to 19 and coin recognition linked to 2's, 5's and 10's.

If you have any questions or worries, however small, please do come and find me in School at any time, I will be in school every day except on a Tuesday. Thank you for your continued support as always!

Kind regards,

Karen Blythe



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