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Thursday 15th January 2026

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome back and welcome to the new term. My name is Miss Hellyer and I have enjoyed teaching your child in Year 1 – Stephens Class.

Throughout the year, we will be using themes to teach our skills-based curriculum. Our running themes for the Spring term are **How can I change my world?** and **Space Explorers**. Our themes will cover English, Geography, History, Music, PSHE, ICT, Art and DT and link to texts chosen to explore our themes for the term.

Spring 1:

Science: Animals including humans	Maths: Place Value to 20
Religious Education: Judaism - Shabbat	English: Letter and Poetry
PSHE: Belonging to a community	DT: Structures

Spring 2:

Science: Animals including humans	Maths: Addition and Subtraction within 20
Religious Education: Christianity - Easter	English: Non-chronological report and postcard
PSHE: Media literacy and digital resilience	Art: Colour mixing

Children will come to school in their P.E. kits every **Monday** (indoor PE) and **Wednesday** (outdoor PE). Please ensure your child has an appropriate kit for outdoor lessons, especially when the weather becomes colder. Black or blue shorts/trousers and white t-shirts should always be worn for indoor P.E. **Please make sure your child's clothes are all labelled. The children are responsible for their clothing.**

Weekly homework will be found on the Homework Menu enclosed in your child's reading record book. **Spelling tests will be carried out every Monday** and the list of weekly spellings will be sent out on the Monday prior to the test. We have also recently started spelling homework on **Spelling Shed**. This will be changed weekly online on a Friday. Your child can also practice maths on **Numbots**.

Reading books are changed on Fridays. We ask that you support your child's progress by reading regularly with them and completing the reading record when they have read to you. The book will only be changed when you have done so. Please remember to write a small comment regarding your child's progress and sign.

If you wish to contact us regarding your child's education, please make an appointment via the office or speak to us after school. We look forward to working with you and helping your child get the most from their education. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind regards,
Miss Hellyer
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