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Friday 10th January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a lovely Christmas and a very happy new year; thank you very much for the cards and presents we received, they were very much appreciated.

This half-term our English and Creative work will be based around the book '**Who built the Pyramids?**'. Our theme of **Tomb Raiders** links with this book and we shall be finding out about this exciting topic!

In Maths, this half term we will work on our knowledge of multiplication and division and area, next half term we will focus on fractions, decimals, time and money.

Our topic in Science is **Electricity**. This will involve learning about common appliances, constructing a simple circuit, recognizing conductors and insulators as well as some investigative work.

In RE we are exploring the 5Ks, and other key teachings of Sikhism.

A minimum of 4 activities are to be completed from the homework menu. Please hand in your homework book each time you complete an activity. Please try and read with your child each evening and talk to them about the book they are reading. You can then sign their reading record each time. Asking them questions about what they are reading will help develop their comprehension.

We look forward to your support with these tasks. Spellings have been given out for the year and should be learnt each week for a test which will take place every Monday. A record of the results will be sent out each week so that you have an idea of how your child is progressing. Please note that you can receive a replacement copy on request.

In order to support your child's learning please use some time at home to research the topics we are studying and take an interest in what has been completed at school. Your child also brings home a reading record and reading book every day which we expect them to read at home. We suggest that you listen to your child read at least three times a week, each time signing their reading record – this will vastly improve their reading and writing skills. In the case of a lost reading record there will be a cost of £1 to replace it.

Your child is expected to bring their PE kit in school on a Monday and take it home on a Friday for washing. Indoor and Outdoor PE lessons will take place on a Wednesday of each week. For Indoor PE the children must wear shorts and a **white** t-shirt; for outdoor PE a tracksuit may be worn. Trainers or plimsolls must be worn outside and bare feet or plimsolls for indoors. Please ensure that your child has the appropriate clothing for each session. Swimming will still take place on Mondays.

We are hoping to go on a class trip once every half term and will inform you of any arrangements nearer the time. We will be working closely with Christ Church and Woolwich, occasionally we will hold events at both schools – you will receive a letter explaining this nearer the time.

If you would like to arrange an appointment to discuss any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact the office to organise a suitable time.

Thank you for your support,

Miss Modessa and Miss Tsang

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