



# ST JOHN THE DIVINE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Spring Term! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break and I wish you all a Happy New Year. This letter outlines the plans for the term ahead and provides a few reminders to ensure a smooth start to the year.

Our focus for this term is **Traditional Tales**, your child's learning will be based on some very well know stories including **'The Three Billy Goats Gruff'** and **'The Little Red Riding Hood'** Attached to this letter is an overview, outlining the seven areas of learning in the Early Years Curriculum and the objectives we will be covering this term in each of those areas.

This term PE will again be on **Tuesday mornings** and **Friday mornings**. For Reception; PE kits should be brought in on Monday mornings and taken home on Friday afternoons. PE kits are not required for Nursery children. I would like to remind you that all items of clothing that your child brings to school must be **labelled**. This helps your child to keep track of their belongings and helps us match lost property with its owner.

Your Reception child will be given **homework on a Friday**, which will be due in the following **Monday**, and Nursery children will begin to get homework, every other week this term. The homework will enhance your child's learning in school and we would like your support to complete his/her homework.

In addition to their weekly homework, your child should continue to read daily at home. Your child is expected to read for a minimum of 10 minutes a day at home, with support from an adult. The adult who reads with the child is asked to sign and make a comment in the child's reading record. This comment should focus on how your child has used phonics to read and their understanding of what they have read. Please can I remind you that children are to bring their reading folders into school **each day and these should be left in the allocated box**. They are to be taken home at the end of every day.

This term the children can bring something from home that they can share with the class in our weekly show and tell sessions. The Show and Tell session will be on a **Friday**. Please ensure your child **only** brings toys from home on this day for Show and Tell. We will keep the Show & Tell toys in a special box to keep them safe throughout the day until home time.

Should you have any questions, please speak to me at the start or end of the day, or make an appointment to see me via the school office.

Kind Regards,  
Ms Mitchell  
EYFS Teacher

