

Kusama Class –

Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you have all had a lovely half-term break and enjoyed some well-deserved rest. As we enter our second term (and unbelievably start the countdown towards the Christmas holidays!), we're excited to share all the wonderful learning adventures that await us in Kusama Class this term.

Our learning theme is: "It's Christmas!" and our Value of the term is: "High Expectations."

Through this festive topic, we'll be exploring the much-loved classic *The Polar Express*. This magical story will inspire our English work as we dive into persuasive writing - can your child convince you to *believe in the magic* and step onto the train?

In Science, our focus will be on Light and Sound. We'll carry out lots of exciting experiments, including refraction of light in water, shadow play, sound vibrations, and of course, the classic cups-and-string experiment!

In PSHE, we'll be thinking deeply about *valuing our differences* and learning how to support one another to be the very best we can be.

Our Computing lessons will develop our digital literacy skills, while in Music, we'll be uncovering the secrets behind a classic UK Christmas Number One! We'll explore genre, theme, and mood — and even create some of our own festive music using digital technology. In R.E., we'll be learning about Holy and Religious Journeys, exploring their meaning and purpose across a range of religions including Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Sikhism, Buddhism, and Judaism.

Our Class Team continues to be:

- Mrs. Allum – Class Teacher
- Mrs. P and Ms. Cowburn – Support Staff

Term 1 was such an amazing start, and it has been a real pleasure getting to know your wonderful children. We are so proud of everything they have achieved so far and can't wait to build on that success throughout Term 2.

Please find attached our Class Timetable, which includes details of our Swimming days (Monday). As always, if you have any questions, comments, or just want to say a quick hello, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

With warm regards,

The Kusama Class Team

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