

Happy New Year! We have all settled back into school after the Christmas break and are enjoying the start of our new topic of **Fire and Ice**.

We are currently learning about 'The Great Fire of London' and will be completing newspaper articles on this subject, detailing the events that occurred throughout this tragedy.

We are very excited to announce that we will have the fire service coming into our school and explain what their job is, plus show the children the inside of their fire engine!

Our curriculum information sheet and current timetable are attached for your information.

A few reminders

- ✓ Children should have a water bottle in school every day.
- ✓ Please label all items of clothing (including PE kit) so we can easily return lost items.
- ✓ Please remind your child if they have letters in their bag so they know to hand them in.
- ✓ PE is now taking place outside on Wednesdays; children will need tracksuit bottoms, a jumper and trainers due to the cold weather.



Dates for your Diary

Parents Evening (booking sheets will be available via the school office nearer the time)

- Tuesday, 5th February 2019 from 5pm
- Thursday, 7th February 2019 from 3.30pm



21st February – a parent information session will take place about the phonics screening check at the end of Year .1

25th February - tree planting assembly by Jo Roberts, Marston Vale Forest. All children will then be given the opportunity to plant trees during the week.

Fire service – This date is yet to be confirmed, please look out for extra information in the coming weeks!

Doves Spring Term Newsletter



Values

This terms values are:
 January – Co-operation
 February - Democracy
 March – Forgiveness
 April - Trust

Attendance

Well done to all of the Doves children who maintained 100% attendance in the Autumn Term – brilliant! We would love to spend the next half term with Attendance Ted so let's work together to stay healthy, using tissues if we have a cold, washing our hands regularly and keeping our coughs to ourselves. Arriving at school on time is very important and medical appointments need to be taken outside of school hours whenever possible.

We can do it Doves!



Learning at Home

Children in Doves are expected to complete the following Learning at Home on a weekly basis:

What?	When?	How long?
Reading Book or reading activity	3 times a week, books checked / changed when appropriate	At least 5 minutes each time
Home Spellings	Sent home over the weekend.	5-10 minutes
MathsWhizz	As often as you like throughout the week	45 minutes minimum a week in order to gain 3 points in progression.
Learning Log activities	Optional, activities set on a half termly / termly basis	No more than 20 minutes for any task

The support you provide at home is invaluable in helping your child to achieve to the best of their ability. If you have any problems relating to the Learning at Home tasks, please do come to speak to me about it.

Here's looking forward to an exciting term! Thank you for your continued support. Mr Birchall 😊