# Year 1 and 2 Newsletter Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2015.

### **English:**

The children have been extremely busy with their Read Write Inc. and English lessons. They have continued to work hard learning their Speedy Sounds and they have focussed on their writing and reading comprehension.

During the SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) lessons, the children have been exploring nouns and adjectives to further develop their writing!

In the ICE zone, many children are taking opportunities to write fantastic space themed stories, diary entries from the Santa Maria and writing lists of what to pack to explore different countries.

#### **Reminders**

**Wellies:** With the wonderful autumn season upon us, the weather is starting to get damper. Please can all children have wellies in school so every child can participate in outside learning and the daily walk.

**Homework:** The children will need to have completed 9 pieces of English and 9 pieces of Maths homework by the end of the term (December).

**Reading:** There is a wide range of books available for the children to choose from. The children can independently change their book daily, ready to enjoy a new book. Please log your child's reading in their reading diary.

## Mathematics:

Year 1 and 2 have been learning about place value these past two weeks. They have been impressing their teachers with their recognition and writing of numbers.

The children have also explored counting and recognising amounts effectively. They have been able to estimate how many items in pots and check their estimations by counting them.

During the lessons, the children have been using Numicon, bead strings, diennes and place value cards to further develop their visual representations of number.

## Science:

Science has been started this year with the 'Animals including humans' topic. The children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about the human life cycle and showing us their understanding of the human body.

The children were able to describe each stage of human life using their wonderful adjectives.

During the second week, the children have explored the life cycle of a frog and where the frogs go in the winter.

