Dear Parents/ Carers,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support over the last half term and tell you about the exciting learning opportunities ahead.

**Land Ahoy!**

**What will we be learning?**

We will be looking at:
- The seas and oceans around the UK.
  - Pirates and their ships.
  - Objects that float or sink.

We will:
- Label the parts of a pirate ship.
- Explore treasure maps.
- Investigate which material would be best to use for a ship.
- Design a flag for our pirate ship.

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**Snack**

*We will continue to have snack time in the mornings so please continue to send in 1 snack item every day.*

We try to bake every week so we ask for a contribution of £4 per half term to go towards ingredients. This would be much appreciated.

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**PE**

*Please could all children have their P.E kits in school.*

*Please could we also have a spare set of clothes in school.*

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**Reading**

Thank you to all the parents who are supporting your child in their quest to becoming a fluent reader. We know from research that regularly reading can improve your child’s ability and not only enables them to discover new facts and to learn at school, but also opens them up to a world of new ideas, stories and opportunities.

**Updates**

There will a change in staffing next half term. Miss Broadhurst will be joining the Phase 1 team and Miss Park will be joining the Phase 3 team. The staff in Phase 1 will now be Mrs Fearick, Miss Chalmers and Miss Broadhurst. Although we will miss Miss Park, Miss Broadhurst has lots of Early Years and Ks1 experience so this is really exciting!

**Homework**

*Children will bring home their reading books. Please try to read with your child as much as possible and record this in their reading record books.*

**Maths**

This half term we will be focusing on:

- Place value
- Direction
- Subtraction
- Division (sharing)

There are lots of fun and engaging Maths games on:

www.Topmarks.com

**Finally**

This term we have really improved the look and grounds of the resource building. Mrs Lewis was successful in her application for Awards for All Lottery bid and the £10,000 has been put to good use to replace the muddy, wet grass with artificial grass. This has been done already and looks much better now and also is having a far better impact on the children’s playtimes as they can use it in all weathers and don’t get wet and muddy. The resource building itself has been painted on the outside and looks much smarter and clean now.

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