



Dear Parents and Car-

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Welcome back to a brand new year at Appleton Wiske Primary School! We hope that you have had a fantastic holiday with your children and that they are looking forward to a new and exciting term ahead. The children are ready for lots of hard work and they are excited to begin the new year in our brand new classroom!

Our topic in Class 2 for this half term is 'Who was George Stephenson and what did he invent?' Please see our topic web, which will be on our website next week, to see what sort of fun things we will be learning about.

Please ensure that your child reads as much as possible at home in order to help them to progress with their reading. When you hear your child read please could you discuss the characters, events and stories, for fiction books, and check understanding of information for non-fiction books. We would be very grateful if you could sign the planner on each day that your child has read at home and add any helpful comments. Also, a new book will be given when you have signed to say that your child has finished their current book.

P.E. days in Class 2 are going to be on a Wednesday and Friday. Please make sure that your child brings their P.E. kit with them to school on a Monday and it stays in school all week until Friday. Girls will also need to have a soft bobble to tie their hair up for P.E. If your child wears earrings, please could you ensure that they are able to take them out themselves for P.E.

Please could all children bring water bottles in to school with them. They can take them home on a Friday to be washed over the weekend.

Homework will be given out to the children on a Friday and needs to be handed in completed by the following Thursday.

Spellings will be handed out on a Friday and must be practised ready for our spelling challenge on the following Friday.

We are looking forward to our new year together! Many thanks for all of your help and support. If you have any queries or concerns please contact us or come and see us at school.

Mrs Atkinson and Mrs Gyll