

## Queensgate Foundation Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you've all enjoyed the break. It's great to see the children settling back into school life and resuming their learning so well.

Overleaf you will find a theme overview for this first half of the Spring Term, detailing our learning objectives. Our theme is 'Up, up and away' which will focus on significant figures in our history whilst we learn about the history of flight. Please can children bring in a cereal box so that they can design and make their own flying machine!

Our PE days this half-term are <u>Tuesday (outdoors)</u> and <u>Wednesday (indoors)</u> and children should arrive at school in their PE kit on this day please. Please note that Tuesday's PE lesson is weather dependent and if the weather is against us, PE will be adapted to take place in the classroom.

Our PPA activities are on Monday afternoon and will be led by Mrs Tilling, Mrs Bradbury, Mrs Cox and Mrs Hiscock. Your child will be participating in computing, design technology, cookery or library time on a weekly rota.

We will continue to give spellings to all children on Mondays to practise during the week, and they will be tested on Fridays. Please encourage your child to practise every day to help them retain new words and spelling patterns.

Maths challenge books will continue to be sent home every Friday. Please bring them back into school by the following Thursday.

As always, one of the most effective ways you can support your child's learning is through their reading. Reading is so very important to children's learning and progress and we are keen to send reading books home with children. All children should have brought a reading book home. Please continue to hear your children read daily or read to them for 10 minutes and ensure that children bring their reading books to school everyday so that we can use any available time to listen to them read. Read, read, read is our motto!

Thank you for your support, if you have any queries or would like to discuss your child's learning, please catch us at the door, or contact the office and we will be happy to arrange an appointment.

We are looking forward to a fun and successful year!

Yours sincerely,

The year 2 team - 2KA - Mrs Arnell, Mrs Hiscock and Mrs Rowsell 2GC -Ms Gibbins, Mrs Cox and Miss Brett









