<u>Year 2 Class Newsletter – Spring 1</u>

Happy New Year

I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas and the children have had a good rest, ready to start the new term. I would like to take this opportunity to say a HUGE thank you on behalf of all the Year 2 staff for all of our lovely cards and presents.

I would also like to say a big well done to the children for a very successful first term in Year 2 and of course, a big thank you to parents for your continued support.

Please see some key information regarding this term below and remember to regularly check our class news page on the school website to see what we have been learning.

<u>Reading</u>

Children will continue to receive a sticker and be entered into our weekly reading raffle for reading **5 times** for around 10-15 minutes per week.

If children read less than 3 times a week, we will give them the opportunity to complete some reading during their golden time on a Friday afternoon.

It has been pleasing to see the number of children who have already been able to **'adopt a reading bear'** for being entered into the raffle 10 times. I know a few more children are very close!

Our Class Reading

This term we will be continuing with our class book: **'The Christmasaurus'** by Tom Fletcher.

<u>Homework</u>

Homework will continue to be set every **Friday** and due in the following **Wednesday**. In addition to this, individual spellings are also written in children's reading diaries. Children are encouraged to practise spelling these words using their chosen method on a separate piece of paper at home. Please see the **spelling strategies** in the 'resources' section on the school website. Children are welcome to bring in their practice sheets or any other work they have completed at home if they wish ©

Forest School

Our Forest School sessions will resume on Monday afternoons. Please provide appropriate clothing for children to change into on these days. Wellington boots or walking shoes are ideal and can be kept in our outdoor area. You may wish to provide your child with waterproof trousers along with their waterproof coat as we aim to go outside in all weathers. Our sessions will begin next Monday (15.01.2024).

<u>PE</u>

This term we will be focussing on **Gymnastics** in PE. These lessons will be on **Tuesday** afternoons. Children will need their **indoor PE kit** for these lessons: black pumps, black or Navy shorts/leggings and a Navy or white t-shirt. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled. Children will need to remove their earrings for the lesson.