



Froebelian School
Form I Newsletter
Friday 9th February 2024

The ethos theme on the children's return to school will be:

We stay motivated when doing something challenging.

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope this message finds you well. It's been a wonderful week of learning in Form I, and I'm excited to share some highlights with you. In Maths, we focused on multiplying a two digit by a one digit number. We saw the words 'no exchange' and worried that we couldn't do it, but how wrong we were! No exchange just meant not carrying a number over. I was impressed with the children's 'Determined Dennis' attitude; they didn't give up and carried on trying. In English, we continued working on the class novel 'The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane'. We looked at the grammar style used by the author.

Homework

The children have completed numerous Homework challenges. Well Done to everyone! We are pleased that most children are remembering to complete their homework every night and return it the next morning for lots of Dojos. The children are also demonstrating their organisational skills by bringing their planners everyday so they can write their daily homework task; this is a skill that will be useful for them in later life.

Holiday Homework

A decision has been made across the school that there will be no compulsory homework given. However, optional tasks for the half term break are:

- **Art & Design:** The children have been working on a GB artist called Andy Goldsworthy, who creates amazing nature photos using leaves, stones etc. Please let the children decide on which work of art they want to reproduce and let them create this. The next step is to take a photograph of their creation and upload it to Seesaw. We will look at these after the holidays.
- **Spring Festival:** The songs and backing tracks for the Spring Festival House singing are on Seesaw. Please encourage your child to practise and learn their own House Song.
- **Maths:** There will be an informal Maths Assessment on the Multiplication and Division unit that has been covered. A revision sheet has been sent home. Please let your child try the sheet. If they find something a challenge, please put a star near that question so we can work on this area when we return to school. The sheet should be returned to school by Wednesday 21 February.

Come Dine With Me

The children are looking forward to inviting you to dine with them on Thursday 22nd February. Please see separate email for details.

Spring Festival

In Drama, Mrs Taylor-Parker has given out the poems for the Festival. Each child is required to choose one of the poems to learn by heart. After half term, on Monday 19th February, everyone will perform their chosen poem individually for the class. We will select the six children who perform the best, and they will perform for Mrs Taylor-Parker, who will select the final three from each of the Junior classes. She will then work with these finalists, until the competition during the Spring Festival. The children will be judged by an external adjudicator when they finally perform with the other finalists.

You have received an email today with details about the musical classes for the Spring Festival. Please take note of any deadlines for the performance/heat dates. It is a great opportunity for the children to showcase their talent, so please encourage your child to take part if they are learning an instrument or would like to enter the Solo Singing. All children are singing with their House Choir, so they must learn their House song by Wednesday 21 February.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to more exciting learning adventures in the weeks to come.

Happy Holidays and please give your child some relaxation time too!

Kind regards

Mrs Falconer, Mrs Hanson and Ms Morley – The Form I team

Calendar Dates

February	
Mon 19	Return to School
Tues 20	U9 Netball Festival, Bradford Grammar School, 2.00 – 3.15pm
Thurs 22	FI Come Dine with Me