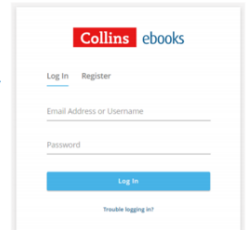


Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas break and are all feeling refreshed and relaxed. Thank you for all your support during this first week back. Although it is not the start to the year we had hoped for, we are sure, together, we can still enjoy all the activities we had planned.

Reading: We have a subscription available for Collins Ebooks. Books have been allocated to your child for them to access. These books are linked to our school reading scheme and are based on our phonics scheme. You hopefully have the log on details in your child's home learning book or in their reading record book. To access these books please go to: <http://ebooks.collinsopenpage.com/> Please email us if you need any further support with this.



Prime Areas: This half term we will discuss our impact on the environment and how this makes us feel. We will continue to use the colour monsters to help us manage our own feelings.



RE: In RE, we are exploring the story of creation. We will familiarise the children with the story of creation and look in detail at the fifth day of creation.

English: In English, we are enjoying stories by 'Oliver Jeffers'. We are looking in detail at the story of 'Lost and Found'. The children will make predictions about the story and help to create missing posters for the lost penguin.



Maths: In Mathematics the children will apply their knowledge of number to larger numbers. We will continue to subitise and conserve numbers up to 10 and further develop their knowledge of number bonds, addition and subtraction. We will also explore measures, comparing length, weight and height.

Understanding the World: Linked to our English focus, we will try to answer the question, Can a polar bear and penguin be friends? We will explore the Antarctic and the animals you may find there. We have many fun ice investigations planned and will end this half term with a science week!



Expressive Arts and Design: We will continue to look at the work of Vincent Van Gogh. We will design and make our own penguins and igloos and explore how we can paint using ice.

Learning Journeys: Any work you would like us to see can be emailed to our Reception email address. We would love to see all the learning that is taking place at home. We will then print this off to add to your child's learning journey.

Home Learning Packs: You will hopefully have all collected your child's learning at home packs. If they are in school they will be bringing them home. If your child is in school, please can they bring these packs into school on the days they are attending.

During the day, there will be a member of staff available for you to contact on Microsoft Teams, via email or the VLE. Our timetable will indicate if our lessons are live on teams or pre-recorded. During allocated times for pre-recorded lessons a member of staff will still be available via teams chat. You will receive an email to invite you to these teams sessions. Most of our lessons will be pre-recorded videos so you can access them at a time suitable for you.

Our Reception email address is: reception@baildonce.co.uk.

Thank you for your continued support especially during these challenging times.

Miss Perry, Mrs McCaul and Mrs Morgan