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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you all!

I hope you enjoyed a happy & restful Christmas with your families and that the children have returned ready for the challenges of a new term. This letter will give you a little outline of what to expect from our learning over the next six weeks.

Our topic for Term 3 is 'Hong Kong' which has a strong geography focus on Hong Kong and comparing the similarities and differences to England. As part of this, we will be doing some map work on locating Asia, China and Hong Kong and learn the seven continents which make the world! In English we will be using 'Chopsticks' and 'The Magic Paintbrush' as our focus stories. In whole class reading we will use these stories to answer retrieval and inference questions. In writing we will be looking at a range of fiction and non-fiction writing, including; letter writing, retells, recounts and writing our own information booklet about Hong Kong.

In the wider curriculum in Science our focus is the human body and our senses where we will look at and explore each of our five senses. In Design and Technology we will be making and designing our own kites, alongside trying and cooking some different Asian foods. In RE we continue our learning on incarnation, where we will look at some different bible stories and what they tell us about God and Jesus. In Music we will be looking at pitch through the use of body movement, song and animal sounds. For more information about our learning the topic web for the term is on the school website.

I am pleased to say that this year Hedgehog Class will also be taking part in the Dance Umbrella, which we will begin practising for this term on a Wednesday afternoon as part of our PE (more details about this will follow at a later date).

For homework this term I would like all children to continue to focus strongly on their reading practice. We have started a new set of sounds (phase five) so will be sending new sounds and tricky words in their book bags in due course. Please practise these sounds and words with your children and please note it is important for them to be able to read and write them. Year two children will be getting a new set of spellings to practice and these will continue to be tested on a



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Just a few reminders for the term:

- PE will be on a Wednesday & Thursday, so please ensure that correct named kit (shorts, PE T shirt, daps and socks) is in school.
- Thank you to all parents who regularly make comments in the reading diary – it is a really good way for us to communicate about your child's reading. Books will continue to be changed weekly and the children will read these books to adults at school and of course with you at home.
- Please make sure that your child wears a coat and has wellies in school everyday as we like to use the outside environment as much as possible, even in these cold winter months.
- Please ensure your child brings in a piece of fruit for their snack and a named water bottle, which must only contain water not squash.

Thank you for your continued support. Remember if you ever have any worries or concerns I am always around for a chat.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Jade Wheeler  
Hedgehog Class Teacher



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