



## 1TS Newsletter - Week Beginning 05/01/2015



Welcome back to a new term and Happy New Year to you all!

Thank you for all for your good wishes and Christmas gifts.

This half term our new topic will be **heroes and villains**. We will be launching our topic next week. This week we have been writing about our Christmas holidays and we have been learning the order of the months of the year. We have talked about this New Year being 2015 and what a New Year resolution is. We have had a go at writing our own resolutions - 'reaching for the stars in 2015'

In maths we have been revising 1 more and 1 less. In phonics we have introduced the sounds ch and sh and the tricky words me, be and we.

Please note that P.E will be on a Tuesday and a Wednesday and the children will need P.E kits in school for those days.

**Next Friday we will be looking at the poem 'A dragon in the classroom' by Charles Thomson. The poem is about a dragon that is made out of junk materials. The children are then going to be making dragons in the classroom!**

**Please can you help your child to plan and collect together some materials to make their dragon? They will need e.g. boxes (shoe boxes are great) cardboard tubes, yogurt pots, plastic bottle tops etc. They will need to bring in their dragon making materials on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January in a named carrier bag. Please could you ensure your child has some materials in school so that they can make some fabulous dragons!**

**Thank you.**

## **This Week's Home Learning Challenge: Material Hunt**

This half term we will be looking at different materials and their properties. We began this week with a material hunt around our school. We looked at lots of different objects around our school to see if we could work out what objects were made from. We focused on being able to distinguish between an object and the material it is made from.

Please could the children use the attached sheet to carry out a material hunt around their house?

Last term we mentioned that we would like to encourage the children to take their reading books and reading records out of their book bag at the beginning of the day and place them in the tray as you come in the door in the morning. Please could you help your child to do this as it will make book changing much quicker and easier for your child

Thank you.

Finally... don't forget that next Thursday is our topic launch day. We would like the children to come to school dressed as a superhero or storybook hero. The day will be based around superheroes and we will be doing all sorts of superhero activities!