



Welcome back to school - we hope that you all had a lovely Christmas break. This term our topic is **Another Place - China**.

### School Uniforms

We love seeing all the children looking smart in their full school uniforms and plain black shoes. Please ensure that **everything is named** so we can reunite children and missing items easily. Anything lost and unnamed goes into the Lost Property box out side the school entrance.

### PE Kits

Please make sure these are named and in school all week. (On Tuesdays children can come to school in their PE kits/tracksuits.)

### Coats and Wellies

Please ensure children come to school with a suitable coat. Children with wellies in school will be allowed to use the field at play and lunchtimes in all weathers.

### Staying Healthy

Being well hydrated is important for learning. Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school **at all times**. Alverton has a 'healthy tuck' policy for infants and fruit is provided at playtimes. Please don't send children into school with sweets, crisps, chocolate etc. for tuck.

### Reading

This is the **most** important thing you can do at home. Please see your child's teacher if you need any support or advice.

### Learning in Key Stage 1

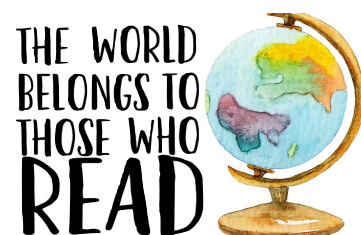
We believe learning as an infant should be an imaginative, creative and immersive experience. Our aim is to create children who are passionate, resilient and increasingly independent learners who can reflect on and take pride in their achievements.

### Supporting at Home

Please read with your child every day! It really is **the single most important** way you can help support your child's learning. Spellings and **optional** topic homework grids are sent home termly. Children will also have access at home to some web-based apps that the school pays for. More details will be available from your class teacher.

### Working Together

If you would like to meet your class teacher to discuss how best to support your child (or for any other reason!) then please do not hesitate to arrange an appointment. After school is normally best as we will have more time to talk then.





## English

We will be using our VIPERS sessions to engage with a variety of stimulating texts.



## Maths

We will follow the White Rose scheme of Maths, building on all the children's prior knowledge.



## Science

In Science we will work scientifically and explore seasonal change and the properties of everyday materials.



## Geography & History

We will make comparisons between China and where we live as well as learning about some of the fascinating history of China.



## Computing

We will explore how to communicate and stay safe online and use technology to code a story.



## RE

In RE we will be thinking about Islam and the way Muslims worship as well as the Christian Easter story.



## Art & DT

In art we will explore pattern, texture and tone and in DT we will design and create a puppet.



## PE

In PE we will create topic themed dance and learn gymnastic skills.



## PSHE

We will be following the 'Go Givers' scheme of work looking at rights and responsibilities, positive relationships and the importance of caring for our environment.



The **MORE** that you  
**READ**, the more things  
you will **KNOW**.  
The **MORE** that you  
**LEARN**, the more places  
you'll **GO**.