Dear Parents and Carers,

What another wonderful term! I am so very proud of all the children, and the fantastic work they have been producing! A huge thank you for all your fabulous support - especially in the school show, which was amazing!

Our next topic is going to be Extreme Weather. In this geography-driven theme, we will be learning about the seven continents and five oceans of the world, as well as the four countries of the UK and their capital cities.

In Science, we will cover seasonal changes in weather.

In DT, we will explore textiles and will learn to sew our own pouches. All other foundation subject themes for the term can be found on our school website here.

In **English**, we will be focusing on the wonderful story of Nen and the Lonely Fisherman by Ian Eagleton. I have been so impressed by the children's writing this term! We will continue to work on our language skills and will be learning to use morphemes in our writing. Phonics and whole class reading sessions will continue to happen daily. I really appreciate your support with listening to your children read their phonics books, practising sounds and words that have been sent home. Please continue to read as much as possible with your child at home, your support makes all the difference.

In Maths, we will be looking at Money, before moving on to multiplication and division and then finally onto mass, capacity, and temperature. Please continue with Doodle Maths at home, as it is a great way of consolidating all their learning.

We will have outdoor learning on Friday afternoons. Please make sure your child has their outdoor learning kit in school for the first week back (wellies, waterproofs, coat etc.) Their learning will be documented on Seesaw.

## Homework

Maths: Children are required to complete their Doodle Maths homework (staying in the green zone, achieved by collecting their weekly target stars). This is monitored in school and those not completing it will be expected to do so on a Friday.

**Reading:** Children are required to read with an adult 4 times a week at home and this should be recorded in their planner. This is checked on Mondays.

Spellings: Children are required to complete their weekly spellings. This is checked on Mondays.

PE will continue on a Monday and a Wednesday. Please ensure children have the correct PE equipment for these sessions. This is a plain T-shirt, black shorts/joggers/leggings, and black daps/trainers. Please do also remember coats and fleeces, especially going into term 3 when the weather will be chilly.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy new year!

Miss Walker and the Year 2 team.