Dear Parents,

This half term our topic will be 'You are formally invited…'. We will be learning about our monarchy and will be continuing our learning about the UK. At the start of this topic the children will be taking part in an interactive bus tour of London. Our final outcome for this topic is for the pupils to plan and host a street party to which you will be formally invited!

**Dates For Your Diary:**

Street Party: Monday 3rd February 2025

**Contacting Us:**

If you need to contact us, please use email or Dojo. If you need to contact us during teaching hours please contact the school office.

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Science.

We are looking at naming and testing properties of materials. We will be comparing and grouping objects according to their properties and carrying out an investigation into which material is the most absorbent.

English
This half term in English we will be looking at writing letters. We will be using the story of the Queen's Hat to stimulate our ideas and writing, alongside our London tour and our History and geography work, to write a letter home about a visit to London. We will be exploring using conjunctions, capital letters for days of the week and place names and a variety of punctuation.

Maths
We will be continuing with our number sense scheme of work and look at 1 more and 1 less of different amounts; two more and two less of different amounts and exploring the number fact families within 10. We will also begin to look at time and use time words as well as identifying the time to the nearest hour and half hour.

ICT
We are going to complete the purple mash unit maze explorers where we learn about algorithms and understand how to create and debug a set of instructions. We will then create a longer algorithm and evaluate it.

History.

We are going to be learning about the monarchy and how Britain has had a ruling monarch for many years. We will be learning about significant monarchs from the past, including . We will learn about what a family tree is and be asking you to complete a family tree at home after looking at the royal family tree.

PHSCE
We are going to discuss what it means to be healthy, how to stay healthy and who helps us to do this. We will discuss how to stay healthy and why we have rules in order to keep us safe.

Music
In music we will be learning about different beats and will make our own pieces of music using the glockenspiel.

PE
Children will continue to have their weekly outdoor games session on a Tuesday afternoon with the school sports coaches.

On Friday mornings we have gymnastics with Mrs Buchanan.

D and T.
Textiles. We are going to be designing and making a new purse for the Queen's consort after researching symbols of the UK and the monarchy. We will try lots of different ways of attaching components and then make a decision which one to use.