

Barleyhurst Park Primary School

Crocodiles Newsletter

Spring 1, 2025



Crocodiles snap into action, ready to learn!

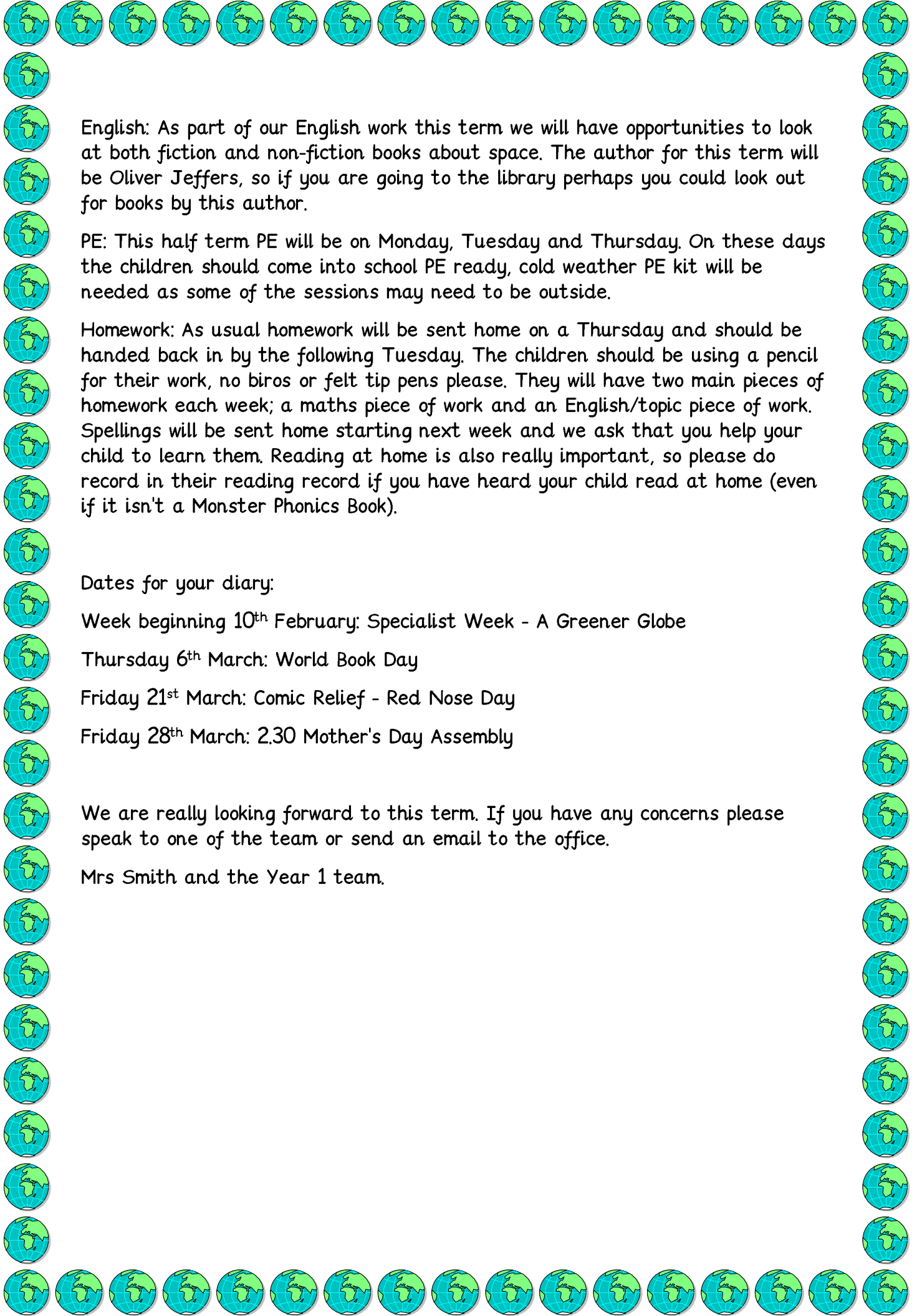
I hope you all had a fabulous break! The Year 1 team would like to wish you all a very happy new year. As you are aware there have been some changes in Year 1 for this term. I will be taking the class for the majority of the week and on the days that I am not teaching the class they will be taught primarily by Miss K Bailey. It is never ideal to have a change in teachers part way through the year but we have tried very hard to ensure the disruption to the pupils' learning is kept to a minimum by having familiar adults in the classroom. As a class we are extremely lucky to have three very capable Teaching Assistants supporting the class: Mrs Barringer, Mrs Martin and Miss Aldridge.

Moon Zoom:

I hope the children have already made you aware that this term we are going to be astronauts. The class have already started to prepare for their journey to outer space, to explore our solar system.



As part of our topic we will be investigating an alien crash site, writing an incident report and trying to find the aliens who have landed. Where could they be? We will be looking at significant historical events relating to space exploration. We will make models of the Solar System and design space buggies. I'm really looking forward to sharing a variety of books with the children, they have really enjoyed looking at the topic books we have in the classroom so far. The children will use photographs and videos to help us learn about the first lunar landing and the astronauts who venture into space.



English: As part of our English work this term we will have opportunities to look at both fiction and non-fiction books about space. The author for this term will be Oliver Jeffers, so if you are going to the library perhaps you could look out for books by this author.

PE: This half term PE will be on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. On these days the children should come into school PE ready, cold weather PE kit will be needed as some of the sessions may need to be outside.

Homework: As usual homework will be sent home on a Thursday and should be handed back in by the following Tuesday. The children should be using a pencil for their work, no biro or felt tip pens please. They will have two main pieces of homework each week; a maths piece of work and an English/topic piece of work. Spellings will be sent home starting next week and we ask that you help your child to learn them. Reading at home is also really important, so please do record in their reading record if you have heard your child read at home (even if it isn't a Monster Phonics Book).

Dates for your diary:

Week beginning 10th February: Specialist Week - A Greener Globe

Thursday 6th March: World Book Day

Friday 21st March: Comic Relief - Red Nose Day

Friday 28th March: 2.30 Mother's Day Assembly

We are really looking forward to this term. If you have any concerns please speak to one of the team or send an email to the office.

Mrs Smith and the Year 1 team.