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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had a lovely Christmas and New Year break. Last term, went especially quickly with many Roman and Christmas events and was great fun for everyone! The children have continued to work hard on their written multiplication and division methods. We have been trying really hard both in lessons and around the school chanting our times tables and answering random multiplication facts instantly. In Literacy, we are working hard on our handwriting joins and varying our sentence starters and conjunctions to add more interest for the reader. Excellent work Wardour!

A new year and a new fresh term brings lots of plans for the children: a walk round Amesbury identifying amenities and features of our town, creative art activities and many challenging sporting activities both in lessons and afterschool. Please check the school website for other events happening this term

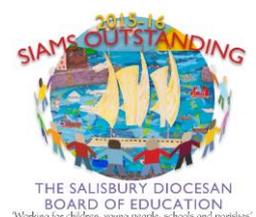
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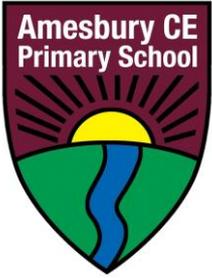
Our topic this term is entitled 'Grand Designs' where we will be learning about 'settlements' and how they compare to others towns and villages and how they grow as the population increases. Please see our Topic Web for information about all our new learning.

This term's 'R' in BLP (Building Learning Power) is Relationships. One of the focus areas is how we treat each other with respect and kindness both in and out of school. How we can be patient and listen carefully to others and their varying views and ideas. We encourage you again to talk to the children about what they are learning and how they can make relationships themselves.

A few Reminders

- PE kit needs to be in ALL week (our scheduled P.E days are Monday, Tuesday and Friday but this could change to another day). As the weather is especially cold now, please ensure a named fleece and tracksuit are included in your child's P.E bag.
- All school uniform to have a named label including coats.
- Snacks need to be healthy and nut free
- Toys should not be brought into school, they could get lost or broken and can be very distracting. Pencil cases do not need to be brought in as children become upset if items go missing.
- Children should continue to read every night; this does not always have to be their Bug Club book. Families can take turns reading each page with their child to help them with expressing the story. The children are rewarded for reading, and we keep a class total to see if we can get the most reads in the school every week.
- Please encourage your child to use lots of maths & literacy websites like ictgames.com and primarygames.com, which boost and develop your child's confidence in both subjects.





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Home learning

As you will now all know children now have their Bug club login. If your child is reading bug club at home please record this in their reading record to count towards their weekly class read total.

- Monday – reading
- Tuesday – reading
- Wednesday – reading (homework due in)
- Thursday – reading
- Friday – (Homework set) Spelling, Maths, Reading, English

Another massive THANK YOU to all the parents who helped us raise money in our year 4 bake sale last term in all weathers including sleet! The cakes were delicious and the sale raised lots of extra money for Year 4. The money raised will continue to go into our class budgets to help buy resources, and activities for your children.

This term, we are setting a competition for parents. By reading this letter, you have the chance to win a box of chocolates. To have a chance of winning this term's box of chocolates, please put the word 'GRAND DESIGN' in your child's Home School Record book (they will also gain 5 reward points for this).

Thank you for your continued support with your child's home learning. Any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact myself via school contact books, or on the playground at the end of the day. We look forward to lots of new learning and fun!

Yours sincerely

Mr Boulton

