## The Rednal Rag



REDNAL HILL INFANT SCHOOL Number 15- 7th January 2022

## Welcome Back and Happy New Year

2022

COVID UPDATE As cases continue to rise in the community please support us to keep everyone safe by:-

- Using Lateral Flow Tests to regularly check you and your children are not Covid positive
- Encouraging regular handwashing
- Keeping your distance from people you are not in regular contact with
- Wearing masks where appropriate

If your child appears unwell please use a LFD to check for Covid and if positive isolate at home. Please read the poster on the reverse of this newsletter for details of the updated government guidance on self isolation. PTO

## Learning across the school

Year Two will be learning about the history of space travel and our solar system. The Enquiry will be launched with an exciting VR Workshop in school on Monday 10th January. As historians we will look at historical sources such as non-fiction books and artefacts and use our ICT skills to research online. They will also find out about key people Neil Armstrong and Katherine Johnson their achievements and why they're famous. Parents can support their child to research about planets at home.

Year One are launching their Enquiry 'Where do we live?' and will be finding out about our local area and looking at the different buildings around us. We will be using atlas's and maps to locate landmarks of Birmingham. As MG and car production is part of our local history, we will be finding out about how cars are made and have changed overtime. We will become designers to design, make and evaluate our own model car that has moving wheels. Key vocabulary includes 'terms such as detached, semi detached, terrace, flat, extension, factory, town and city as well as equator and countries.

To support your child you could point out local landmarks such as the MG factory and Cofton Park, spot local road signs and discuss the importance of these as well as looking at the different buildings around us. If possible please send in a photo of your home via Tapestry for the children to start their learning around a familiar building. Thank you

Reception are launching their learning with the story 'One Snowy Night' and will be finding out about woodland creatures as well as animals like penguins and polar bears which live in different habitats. Reading continues to be a real focus and reading regularly at home makes a huge difference to a child's progress. Ask your class teacher for advice if you are struggling to fit reading into your routine. Little and often is the answer!

Nursery are enjoying learning about a range of animals and staff are busy organising a visit from The Animal Man to launch their topic (shush...its a surprise...) They are also learning to use positional language such as 'under', next to' and 'on top of' and descriptive words such as 'hairy', smooth' and 'furry'.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
7th January 2022 to 13th January 2022

Danny in Ash will be 5 Ella in Oak will be 5 Lara in Willow will be 6

Jack in Chestnut will be 7 Kaydee in Sycamore will be 7











