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Good morning,

I would like to begin by saying a huge well done to the children for a brilliant first few days back last week. They came in with a great learning attitude and gave 100% effort in all that I asked of them. I know that this will have been encouraged at home so thank you for your support. It really makes all the difference and fills me with excitement for the year ahead.

This week we will be completing our baseline assessments. This allows us to analyse what our children can already do and what they may need a little extra help with so is hugely beneficial in moving children on with their learning this year. I firmly believe in administering the assessments in the most stress-free way possible for the class so please be assured that they will be sprinkled throughout the week along with plenty of other activities.

In writing, we will take part in a whole school piece of writing using an image as stimulus. It's an excellent opportunity for the children to take their writing in any direction they wish, using their imagination to tell the best story they can. I know from our activities last week that Amber are a class of writers so I can't wait to see all the different ways that they bring the picture to life.

In maths, we will begin our place value unit, reminding ourselves of numbers to 20 and some of the fact families that exist there. This early securing of number knowledge will be vital as we move forward onto more complex ideas throughout the unit.

Our topic focus this half term is history, where we will be looking at the life of Ernest Shackleton and his attempted expedition across Antarctica. We will begin by plotting his life on a timeline which we will create as a class and add to our topic display.

PE this week will be Thursday afternoon so please ensure children come to school in their kits on Thursday.

A curriculum leaflet will make its way home soon detailing all subjects and the learning that will be taking place this term.

Thank you, have a fantastic week.

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