Hello Sapphire families,

I hope you have all had a fantastic half term break! I have had a wonderful break celebrating my 30th birthday with friends and family and being absolutely spoiled rotten! I feel thoroughly relaxed and ready for another busy and exciting half term with team Sapphire.

This half term we will begin our geography unit of learning where we will be learning about the invisible lines of longitude and latitude that divide our planet, comparing human and geographical features of different locations with our local area and building an understanding the impact of 'food miles' on our climate. We will begin a new class book this week: The Explorer by Katherine Rundell. This is a fascinating read full of adventure in the Amazon rainforest, I can't wait to share this story with the class! We will begin learning to present ourselves and describe the weather in our Spanish lessons, explore the cause of infection in PSHE and explore video production in computing. I know it's a little early yet but we will also begin preparing for Christmas in DT as we design our item to sell at the Made in St Day Christmas Fair this year. It is all very exciting!

Reminders:

- Homework has been posted on Doodlelearning for this week. If there is
 any reason why your child is unable to complete their homework
 please email me and I will support where possible. This week you can
 expect a letter for my new homework club where the children will be able
 to use school laptops to log on, if you think your child will benefit from
 this, please make sure you complete the reply slip and return it to school
 as soon as possible.
- PE will take place on Thursday.
- As the weather continues to worsen please make sure your child is sent to school with a waterproof coat, hat, gloves and a school fleece/jumper/cardigan.

Best wishes, Miss Clark