



# Twineham CofE School



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Dear Buttercup Parents,

**Welcome back!** We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas! Mrs Slade is delighted to be back in Buttercups class following her maternity leave. The children have come back to school brilliantly and are enthusiastic about our new topics.

We begin our half term with the topic 'Monsters!' We will be focusing on the book 'Where The Wild Things Are'. In English we will be creating our own 'Wild Thing' information book; writing about our own Wild Thing, describing its appearance, habitat and diet. Daily **phonics** work, **handwriting** and **spelling** will continue alongside this.

Our **maths** focus is Time, telling the time to o'clock and half an hour. We will be looking at sequencing events, days of the week and months of the year. We will then continue to strengthen our understanding of number, place value, addition and subtraction.

In **Science** we will be investigating different materials and their properties to help us when designing a boat in DT. We will then move on to finding out about the explorer James Cook in **History** and **Geography**. The children will continue to develop their **ICT** skills using the tablets and laptops. In **PE** we will be focusing on **Dance**. Please make sure your child has their named PE kit in school at all times. They will **all** now be doing PE on Tuesdays and Fridays. In **RE** we will learn about the Sikh religion towards the end of half-term.

The Reception children will continue to have access to a range of activities both inside the classroom and out. Through focused and self-initiated learning, they will be developing their story mapping skills, using ICT and creating models. In maths the children will continue to practise their number work, adding and subtracting and developing an understanding of time.

**As always thank you for your continued support at home.** We look forward to the children's Show and Shares and looking at Homework Books. **Please continue to read with your child at home as often as possible. Their reading books will be changed every Wednesdays and they will be able to change their Choosing Books on this day if they wish.**

If you ever have any questions or wish to talk to us please come and find us before or after school. Thank you!

Miss Hunka and Mrs Slade.

