

## **Happy New Year**

Welcome back and a happy new year to the Park Hall family! We hope you have had a restful break.



## **Power Maths!**

The children are regularly using their skills and knowledge to solve maths calculations and problems. In order to ensure that children have instant access to the equipment we are making maths toolboxes which contain a range of concrete materials for the children to use independently such as base 10, tens frames, counters, dice etc.

The wonderful PHF have bought lots of lovely new equipment for our toolboxes using the money raised from our recent events.

## Winter reading challenge

It is lovely to see how many children successfully completed the reading challenge over the break – well done!

Book shelves in classrooms are now bursting with new reading books following our advent book calendar. Please continue to donate any books that in good condition, thank you.



## **Lower Foundation Phonics Family Learning**

What a wonderful time parents/ carers and children had at the phonics workshop this week. Miss Thorley delivered the workshop to share all of the strategies that are used in class to enable parents to support children at home using the fun activities.



Congratulations to the BLUE team who have once again earned the most team points! Children who are in the blue team (Years 1-6) are invited to wear their own blue coloured clothes to school next Friday (18<sup>th</sup> Jan).













| Upcoming diary dates                      |  |
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| Day appointments                          | Assertive Mentor meetings – see separate letter for individual class dates |
| Wednesday, 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2019  | Evening appointments   |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2019 – 9.15 a.m. | 3D Class assembly (Miss Dono)  |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2019 – 9.15 a.m. | Year 6 'Back to School' Arithmetic Family Fun                              |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2019             | Year 1 – Year 6 pupils - New Vic theatre  'Wind in the Willows'            |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> January 2019 – 9.15 a.m. | Year 2 'Back to School' Maths Family Fun                                   |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2019 – 9.05 a.m. | 2A Class assembly (Miss Adams)   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2019             | E-Safety Day – separate letter to follow                                   |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2019 – 9.05 a.m. | Year 6 'Back to School' GRASP Family Fun                                   |



In the hall on the evening of the Assertive Mentor meetings will be lost property. Please ensure that all items of clothing have your child's full name written in clearly as we have many items of clothing with no names in