



## West Tytherley C.E. (Controlled) Primary School



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Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a restful half-term and are ready for what promises to be a busy and fulfilling 7 weeks until Christmas. I wanted to write a quick letter containing a few pieces of information which you may find helpful.

This week the children came home with bookmarks which list some of the Common Exception Words that they will be expected to be able to read and write by the end of the year. Please help them to practise reading and writing these words accurately. Once they feel secure with each word they can tick the box and bring their bookmark back to me, when they will be duly tested! If they are successful in reading and writing all words, they will be given the next bookmark. For Year 1 there are two bookmarks and for Year 2 there are 3 to work through. This is an activity that should be done at the child's pace – I am looking for accuracy rather than speed!

This week, I will send home spelling work for Year 1 to learn, which are words related to the phonics learning of that particular week. Again, your support to help the children learn these would be appreciated.

We have recently been learning to tell the time (to O'clock and half past for Year 1, and quarter past/quarter to for Year 2), as well as recognising the value of coins and notes, and any opportunities you can give your children to practise these at home would be invaluable. This week Year 1 are also practising their days of the week and months of the year – it is a very busy time!

We have started practising our songs for the nativity, and details of casting and costumes will follow in the next few weeks.

As ever, if you have any concerns or wish to speak to me, I am happy to talk to you between 8.45 and 8.55 in the morning, or after school if you wish to make a longer appointment.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support with your children's reading and home learning.

With best wishes,

**Mrs Sarah Myers**  
**Chestnut Class Teacher**