

St Thomas More RC Primary School
Early Years Foundation Stage
Reception Class



9th January 2020

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely Christmas break and again we would just like to thank you for your kind words, well wishes, cards and gifts.

We are really impressed with how well the children have settled back into school after the Christmas holidays. They are very excited to begin our new topic and text. We have attached our curriculum overview 'What I am Learning' to this letter for your information.

High Frequency Words

Each week we have been sending home a selection of these words for you to support your child in learning to read them. We have attached a list of these words for your reference and have highlighted the words in two colours.

There are some words that are highlighted in green. In our phonics scheme, we call these 'green words' and the children know that we can 'Fred talk' (sound them out) in order to read them.

Some of the words are highlighted in red. These are known as 'red words' in our phonics scheme and cannot be decoded using 'Fred talk' (sounding out).

We ask that you encourage your child NOT to 'Fred Talk' (sound out) the words which on your reference sheet are highlighted in **red** and to read them on sight.

You can use 'Fred talk' to read the **green** words, however if your child can read these on sight this is not a problem.

Please continue to return the words in their packet to school. A member of our Reception team will 'check' the children's words and when they are secure and confident with them, we will issue new words. The attached sheet is for your reference only. As you will appreciate, children develop at different rates and we

work with your child at their pace. When your child is ready and they are confidently reading all 45 words, we will then begin to learn to spell the words.

If you have any queries or questions, please pop in and speak to us.

Many thanks for your continued support,

The Reception team

I	you	the	go
day	of	come	was
we	went	look	this
no	are	away	me
like	going	all	she
he	they	my	see
said	to	mum	it
at	play	up	yes
for	a	dad	can
and	am	big	is
can	get	on	dog
in			