

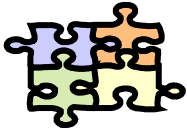
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Thank you for a fantastic half term!

CAPTION OF THE WEEK: Has been... 'to the top of the hill'. After half term we will be starting 'sentence of the week'.

CHINESE NEW YEAR: This week we have been talking about the festival of Chinese New Year. We have made some dragons and danced to Chinese music. There will be many events happening in Southampton City Centre, beginning with a dragon parade Sunday lunchtime outside West Quay. More information is available on SCC website. If you happen to capture any of these events we would love your child to share these with us after half term.



NEW TOPIC: Next half term our new topic will be 'toys'. We will be thinking about old and new toys; materials that toys are made from and talking about our favourite toys. To start this topic off we would like the children to ask someone they know about a toy that was special to them. These toys may not have changed hugely from today (we don't expect tales of spinning tops etc!) but may be different in the materials they were made from, the name of them etc. Please find attached a sheet that may help them to record their ideas.



However, they may wish to show what they found out in other ways e.g. photographs, catalogue pictures, collage, painting or bringing it in... Could we please have these in, the first week back after half term so that your child can share with the class what they have found out. Thank you



A PLEA! After half term we will be exploring 'super hero toys'. If your child has any old (or duplicate) comics, action figures, costumes e.g. batman, lazy town, Ben Ten etc that they **no longer want** - we would be happy to accept donations! ☺



MISSING JUMPER: Could you please use the holidays to check your child's jumpers and cardigans as we have one missing. This is a burgundy school jumper size 24 with the name 'Teigan' written in 'faint' letters. Thank you ☺

INSET DAY: The first day back after half term (22nd February) school will be closed for all children.

BOOKS: Due to the INSET day all library and scheme books will not be changed until the 2nd week back. We apologise for the inconvenience. Home School Reading will be open as usual though. We will still be checking word boxes on the first day back. **Have a great week - we will see you on Tuesday 23rd February!**

Special Toys

Name: _____

Talk to a family member about a toy which was special to them when they were your age.

- What was it made of?
- What was it called?
- What did it look like?

Please bring this in week beginning 22nd February 2010 – Thank you