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Dear Parents/Carers

Many thanks to all those who have read with their child, completed home learning projects and supported the various antics that took place during *Shipwrecked!*

We are very excited to announce that our new Topic is called:

## Spellbound

In the run up to our KS1 Assessments, which will be happening throughout May, we will be using Roald Dahl's *The Magic Finger* as a key text. If you follow this link it takes it to a digital copy of the book.

[https://vk.com/doc19280270\\_155536912?hash=31c10ce56c492ca93e&dl=4ebda41da3e2cace5d](https://vk.com/doc19280270_155536912?hash=31c10ce56c492ca93e&dl=4ebda41da3e2cace5d) Please read this over the holidays as it will prepare your child incredibly well for our learning after Easter.

We will also be using the Disney/Pixar short called *Presto* (the best version to watch on Youtube is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AdTZkmSYigs>). Please make sure that children are supervised on Youtube.

### Diary Dates

Please be aware of the following dates:

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Back to school. The exciting start to our new topic and biscuit making!
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – 2DR Library Visit. This takes place during normal school hours.
- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – School Closed BANK HOLIDAY
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – KS1 Testing Period Begins
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May – KS1 Testing Period Ends

### KS1 Assessments

Your child will be participating in six assessments during May. The results of these will go towards the Teacher Assessments that we have to provide the government by the end of June. If you would like to know more or on how to support your child at home, please see Mr Rivett, Miss Fletcher or Mrs Dayus.

### PE Kit

PE is still on Tuesday and Thursday for both 2DR and 2F. Some children did not bring a kit in at all for Spring 1. Please can this be organised over the Easter holidays as having the correct kit is essential for safe PE lessons.

### Reading

Thank you to all those who have upped their Home Reading in response to our recent push.

However, we still have a long way to go to get **all** children reading **5 times a week** at home. Some children are falling behind because they are not having this opportunity to read at home.

Remember that logging on and using ReadTheory.org counts towards Home Reading.

Have a safe and happy Easter.

Mrs Dayus, Mr Rivett & Mrs Fay

Miss Fletcher & Mrs Warman

