



PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



Dear Parents/Carers of Franklin class,

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a very relaxing and enjoyable Christmas holiday.



This term in **Science**, we are continuing to learn about Animals including Humans. Many lessons will be practical and fun, developing the children's understanding of the heart, lungs and the circulatory system. We will also be learning about the effects of smoking, alcohol and drugs on the body.

Times tables:

The children will continue to have times tables to practice each week and will be tested in class the following week. It is essential that the children are able to relate the multiplication with the division facts. For example: $4 \times 3 = 12$ $12 \div 4 = 3$ $12 \div 3 = 4$. By now your child should be able to recall the facts for all their times tables out of order without the need to count up. Thank you for your support at home with this, the children have made good progress in their times tables and your help with this is greatly appreciated.

P.E. lessons will continue to take place on **Mondays**. Your child must have a PE kit at school for these lessons including plimsolls or trainers. This term in PE the children will be learning the skills needed in badminton.

The children are also having swimming lessons this term, so will need to ensure they bring a swimming costume/shorts, a towel and goggles (not essential) to school on **Fridays**.



