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Dear Parents/ Carers of Children in Year 1/2,

Tuesday 3rd November - KS1 theme day '*Around the World in Four Hours*'

Our new curriculum topic theme this half term is '*Hot and Cold*'. The focus of this theme is a study of different climates in different parts of the world. As an introduction to the theme, we would like to create a special day for the children to enjoy. This will involve lots of fun activities to get the children excited for our new learning journey.

On Tuesday 3rd November, we would like to invite the children to come to school dressed up as an 'explorer' wearing items such as black jeans, leggings or jogging bottoms and white or cream T-shirts or tops (patterned tops will be fine). Should your child not have any of these items, then non-uniform is acceptable, however we would prefer all children to be in trousers for their exploration adventures. Please ensure your child brings their coat to school as we will be outside for parts of the day in addition to break time and lunchtime and the weather is unpredictable at this time of year.

The day will include 'exploring' different countries from around the world so we would welcome the children to come prepared for their adventure. Children may bring in a backpack or rucksack that they will wear and carry for the whole day on their exploration of the world (they will not need to bring in their book bag or reading folder on this day). Children may bring in further items to help on their journey, such as:

- Sun hat and sunglasses
- Scarf, woolly hat and gloves
- Any item that has red, blue, and white on (like the Union Flag), such as T-shirt, hat, scarf, socks etc.

Please ensure that all items brought into school are named.

This day should be about the children having fun and getting excited about this new topic. During the day, the children will experience the St John's airport, an 'aeroplane flight' and we will also be giving the children a cup of squash and a biscuit to decorate. If your child has any allergies these will be catered for, however please speak to your class teacher if you have any concerns.

We hope the children enjoy this introduction to their new topic.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Gardner Miss Ford Mrs Ridley Mrs Fish
The KS1 Team