## What have we been doing this week?

Welcome back to Park Grove! We hope you had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

Our new topic is...China! In English this week, we have been creating a fact file to gather all the knowledge we have learnt so far including details about food, population and much more! Perhaps you could ask your child what they know about China so far?

We've been very busy in Maths this week learning how to partition, order and estimate numbers. The children have been fantastic at separating numbers into their hundreds, tens and units and using this knowledge to order numbers from smalles $\dagger$ to largest.


Week beginning 11th January:
Monday: Library books.
Tuesday: PE kit.
Wednesday: PE kit, spelling and homework books Thursday: Flapjack day, bring 50p if you would like a drink or flapjack at playtime.

Blue group show and tell, please bring in something unusual!

Please remember to bring book bags and guided reading records to school each day.

## What are we doing next week. .?

## English

In English we will be reading an African story called 'The Fire Children' and doing some drama work to 'hot seat' the characters. We will also be learning about the Chinese Zodiac story to fit in with our current topic of China.

## Maths

In Maths we will be spending some time continuing number sequences which will involve counting forwards and backwards in $2 \mathrm{~s}, 5 \mathrm{~s}, 10 \mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{~s}$ and more. We will also be exploring length and using our skills to create a paper photo frame.

## Other subjects

In Science we will be learning about what different animals eat and naming them as carnivores, herbivores or omnivores.

In RE we will be learning about the Eightfold Path followed by Buddhists.

In Art we will be looking at patterns inspired by the artist Lian Quan Zhen.

In PE we will be developing catching and throwing skills.

In topic, we will continue to explore facts about China as well as naming the continents and oceans of the world.

In Music we will be listening to a range of music and understanding how pieces of music can make us feel different emotions.

