



Primary 2 Newsletter



Welcome!

Thank you for all of your support in Term 1 the boys and girls have settled in well to Primary 2 and are working very hard.

Class Teachers:

Primary 2a: Mrs Shaan

Primary 2b: Miss Fitzpatrick

Primary 2c: Miss Forde

Literacy

Reading: In term 2 the children will focus on both their oral and written comprehension skills. We will be revising question words such as **what, where, when, why** and **who** to help us ask and answer questions on class texts. We will continue to revise the first 100 High Frequency Word List and begin looking at the Next 200 High Frequency Word List.

Writing: The children will continue to practise their letter formation and explore writing through a variety of activities. Primary 2 will continue to receive a weekly spelling pattern which they should practise reading and writing. In Term 2 we will focus on recount writing and letter writing in particular.

Talking & Listening: The boys and girls are thoroughly enjoying Show and Tell on a Friday Afternoon. We will continue to work on presentation skills such as the volume of our voice and eye contact as well as our listening skills as an audience.

Numeracy

Number: The children will participate in daily Mental Maths warm ups. Our focus this term includes number doubles to 20, number recognition, place value and ordering to 100 and addition and subtraction problems to 20.

Beyond Number: This term, Primary 2 will focus on recognising and ordering the months of the year and the seasons. We will also explore data handling through tally charts and bar graphs. Finally we will have a large focus on money through recognising and ordering coins to £2 and calculating amounts and change to 50p.



Gym

Our gym days are Tuesdays and Thursdays. Pupils should bring their gym kit in a labelled bag and will get changed in school. Pupils can wear a polo shirt, shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms in the school colours. No football strips please.

Homework

Thank you for your ongoing support with homework. After listening to feedback from parents we will ensure homework is a mixture of both written and online tasks. Literacy tasks will continue to be assigned on a Monday and Wednesday while Maths tasks will be set for a Tuesday and Thursday. We ask that your child practises their common words and reads their reading book every night.



Health and Wellbeing

Through our Halloween topic 'The Baddies' we have discussed friendships and ways to show kindness to others. While exploring the changing of the seasons we will focus on staying safe on Halloween Night, Bonfire Night and in the darker mornings and evenings. Through our Christmas topic we will work on team work and communication skills.

Interdisciplinary Learning

This term we have explored the text 'The Baddies' by Julia Donaldson as part of a Halloween mini topic. We will also be focusing on the changing of the seasons, our local environment and nature through the text 'The Leaf Thief' by Alice Hemming. Finally, we will celebrate the run up to Christmas through the text 'The Jolly Christmas Postman' by Allan Ahlberg and Janet Ahlberg.

Creative Learning

Primary 2 have enjoyed continuing to learn through exploration and play. Pupils have the opportunity to take part in teacher led, teacher initiated and child led activities. We have been continuing to grow our digital skills and exploring a number of new Applications.

Can we remind children to bring an appropriate jacket and footwear for Outdoor Learning especially in the Autumn and Winter months.