

Class 1/2 Newsletter

Welcome back Class 1/2!

We would like to welcome everyone back to school for our second Autumn term. This term is filled with lots of fun things to look forward to such as trips, Christmas activities and the end of term performance.

Core subjects

In Maths, we will be covering addition and subtraction of 2 digit and 3 digit numbers, recognising the value of money and we will also be looking at multiplication and division. As well as focusing on our problem solving skills.

In English, we will be Reading 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' by Judith Kerr. From this story we will complete lots of writing tasks based on this story such as, writing descriptions using adjectives, adverbs and conjunctions. We will also be looking at writing for different purposes like instructional writing and diary entries.

In Science, our topic is Animal and their Habitats which links with our school trip to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park. We will be thinking about the difference between things that are living, dead and things that have never been alive. We will be researching the different environments animals live and the things they need to stay alive.

Wider Curriculum

Geography- comparing our local area of Pontefract to another town in a different continent, looking at maps and using a compass for directions

History- Celebrations: Guy Fawkes and The Gunpowder Plot and Remembrance Day

Art- Christmas crafts and decorations

DT- designing, making and evaluating a festive biscuit

RE- comparing celebrations of Judaism and Christianity

Computing- using creative programmes and Microsoft Word

PE- dance with Elite and Fitness and Ball skills.

PSHCE- being healthy and looking after ourselves

Homework We begin official weekly homework after Christmas, a weekly Literacy and Numeracy but for now the following will be sent each week...

- **Reading** -please try to listen to your child read at least twice, send reading diaries and books into school each day.
- **Rainbow Passport** – this will be test on Tuesdays and Fridays and will begin next week, all relevant information will be sent out with your child
- **Spellings and Phonics**- sent out on a Thursday and tested the following Thursday.

Any problems or concerns then please don't hesitate to see a member of the Y1/2 team and we will be more than happy to help, we look forward to getting to know you all.



P.E.

- Monday pm

-Thursday pm

Please ensure the correct kit is sent into school and left in lockers all week. Kit that is labelled with names is even more helpful for changing times!

How you can help your child:

- Listen to them read as much as possible and talk about what they have read, read a range of books, stories and comics at home.

-Practise their weekly spellings/phonics and have a go at putting them into sentences too.

-Practise Rainbow Passports

- Practise number bonds to 10/20/100 say them quickly.

-Learn the 2, 5 and 10 times tables off by heart and say them quickly.

Key dates:

- Yorkshire Wildlife Park 12th November.
- Children in need 15th November.
- Christmas Fair 6th December
- Xmas performances 16th December (pm), 17th December (am)