

Unit 2 Autumn Newsletter 2017



Welcome back!

We hope you all had a lovely summer. We are really pleased with how well the children have come back to school, they have shown great enthusiasm to their learning and their behaviour has reflected their new status! We feel very lucky to be teaching such lovely classes and we are sure that there will be lots of fun times and successes throughout the year.

Homework challenges

Please continue to support your child to complete one of their homework challenges each half term. They have a **really positive impact on the children's learning in school**. Thank you for your support!

Mathletics:

All the children have usernames and passwords for www.mathletics.co.uk. Mathletics is a fantastic resource to support your child with their Maths learning, especially their times tables. The aim is for **every child to get into the '1000 club'** by reaching 1000 points.

Things to remember

Unit 2 Staff:

Miss Ciara Whittle is the new Class 1 teacher and Ms Ellen Horton is the new Class 2 teacher. Other members of staff will be supporting Unit 2 including Mrs Louise Cowell, Miss Sarah Hardy, Miss Karen Holmes and Mrs Liza Metcalfe. If you have any questions or want to discuss anything in more detail, please do not hesitate to come and speak to us.

Mr McGrory will continue to work with Unit 2 during our PE sessions. PE is every Monday for Class 1 and every Friday for Class 2.

Please make sure your child has a t-shirt, shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms and a change of footwear; trainers or plimsolls in school.



Please ensure names are in all of your child's uniform.



In school every day:

- Book bag - including a new reading record
- Water bottle
- PE kit - although we plan to do PE on Monday/Friday's sometimes our timetable has to change

Every Friday, your children will get spelling homework. Please help them to complete it and return the next week. Their spelling tests will be on a Friday.

Rock and read:

Rock 'n' read continued to be a success last year and we are confident it will continue to be just as effective this year. Thank you to everyone who is reading at home with their child every day - it really will have a tremendous impact on your child's reading and writing skills.

We're going on a bear hunt!

We will be learning...

Literacy:

- * Story writing
- * Recount

Geography

- * Map reading

RE

- * What is it like to be Muslim?

Science:

- * Animals including humans

Art:

- * 3D Sculptures including clay

Curriculum - Next half term:

The book we are using for our project sessions this half term is *We're going on a bear hunt!*

Trips:

We will be planning some trips over the next half term including a trip to the Mosque and to Colwick woods. Keep your eyes peeled for letters coming your way!

Handa's Surprise

We will be learning...

Literacy:

- * Poetry
- * Explanation texts

Science:

- * Seasonal changes

Geography:

- * Locational knowledge

RE:

- * What are some special times and celebrations?

DT:

- * Food from around the world

Diary Dates

We will continue learning Spanish next week!

Curriculum - Next half term:

Our project sessions next half term is *Handa's surprise!*

Dates for your diary:

- 13.09.17 – Roald Dahl Dress day!
- 14.09.17- Welcome meeting
- 29.09.17 – Class 1 Assembly
- 06.10.17 – Inset day
- 12.10.17- Photo day!
- 18.10.17- Parents evening

23.10.17 - 3.11.17 - Half Term

- 10.11.17- Class 2 Assembly
- 14.11.17- Class 2 Café
- 21.11.17- Class 1 cafe
- 22.12.17 – Christmas party day & School carol concert 2pm
- 25.12.17 - 05.01.18 - Christmas Holidays

Welcome meeting:

Our welcome meeting is next Thursday straight afterschool. Come and say hello and find out more about your child's learning! This is also a great chance for you to ask any questions you have!

WELCOME