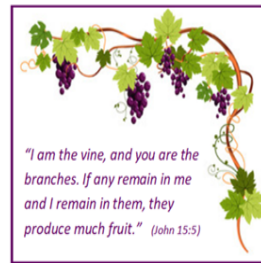




Jesus (the gardener) nourishes and tends us as we learn and grow, so that we can all flourish. As a vine, we are one, but all unique and special to Him. We care for each other, as God cares for us.



September 2022

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new school year and to Year 2! I hope you have had a lovely, relaxing summer and am looking forward to a jam-packed term ahead, full of hard work and hopefully lots of fun too.

Details of our curriculum can be found attached to this letter and are also available on our school website. I will be teaching the class each day with the exception of Monday and Tuesday afternoons. Monday afternoons will be taught by Miss Parlane who will be teaching the children History or Geography depending on our theme and Mrs Joel will be teaching R.E. and music on Tuesday afternoons.

As a school we endeavour to make the transition between year groups as smooth as possible. The children met me in July and I meet regularly with Mrs Boyle during this first half term to ensure the children remain on track as much as possible. One change you will notice is in the way we address reading. In Year 2 the children change their books as often as they need to rather than waiting for their twice weekly book change. As children get older, they need to start taking more responsibility for their own learning and this is one area where they can do just that. Time is allocated each day as they come into school for them to change any books that they have finished at home. All I ask of you is that you ensure books are returned daily and that you have noted when the book is finished. A simple tick next to the title is sufficient but comments are also very welcome.

Our karate reading challenge will restart on Monday 12th September and you should have received a separate letter with a reminder of the details. If you did not receive one, please let me know and I will get one to you.

In this letter I would usually be reminding you to bring in a full, named P.E. kit but this is no longer necessary, thanks to our new active uniform. All children should be wearing leggings or tracksuit bottoms and trainers daily please. Long hair should also be tied up and no earrings should be worn. As is always the case, some children are still in the healing stage of newly pierced ears at this time of year so please ensure these are covered for school. Unfortunately, whilst in earrings children cannot take part in P.E. so please ensure earrings are removed as soon as possible.

Finally, there will be a parents evening towards the end of this half term to discuss your individual child's progress, however, if you have any queries or concerns before this, please do not hesitate to contact me before then. I am available in the playground at the end of the day from Wednesday to Friday, you can email me or an appointment can be arranged through the school office.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and I look forward to a happy, hard-working term in year two.

Mrs Cross

