

Class 2 Newsletter

The children in Class 2 have started the new academic year with great enthusiasm and we are looking forward to a busy but enjoyable year ahead. Here are a few details about the topics the children will be covering in the autumn term.

English

The children have begun their English work this term looking at the story of Grandad's Island. They are answering VIPERS questions and role playing parts of the story. Over the next couple of weeks we will be writing our own letters to Grandad. Later in the term we will be learning a variety of weather poems and carrying out an author study of one of our favourite authors-Oliver Jeffers.



RE

We have started the year looking at Beginnings. We have talked about how some beginnings can be difficult and looked closely at the story of Creation. We will then be moving on to learning about the sacrament of Baptism and the signs and symbols involved.

Maths

At the beginning of term, all children will be learning about place value. Year 1 children will be counting forwards and backwards, completing number lines and comparing numbers. Year 2 children will be looking at 2 digit numbers, knowing what each number represents and comparing numbers. We will also be practising counting in steps of 2, 5, 10 and 3. Following our learning on place value, we will be using these skills to add and subtract numbers.



Science

As Scientists, we will be learning about different types of weather and the seasons. We will be going on an autumn walk and noticing the changes as we move towards winter. Next half term, we will be studying Animals including Humans. We will look at what it means to be alive, how we can stay healthy and the importance of hand and teeth hygiene.



Geography and History

As Geographers, we have looked closely at the different seasons, talked about our favourite season and given reasons. In the next few weeks, we will look at hot and cold places and find out if weather can be dangerous. As Historians, we will be studying The Gunpowder Plot. We will learn about Guy Fawkes and the role of Thomas Percy. We will look at how this period in history is remembered today.



Notes

- ◇ Please can we ask all reading books to be returned to school on a **Monday** morning to enable to us to hear the children read and change their books. We will send books home on a **Wednesday**. It is really important that our children practise their reading skills frequently, please hear them read regularly throughout the week and record this in their reading diaries.
- ◇ Thank you to those who have paid snack money so far. If you would like your child to have a healthy snack in school, please send in £1 on a Monday morning.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to working with you this year.

Mrs Felton and Miss Softley

