



Trawden Forest Primary - School Newsletter

Every child matters; every moment counts.

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Year 2! We are overjoyed to be heading back to normality in school with our new class of 30 delightful children and would like you to know that all children have settled into class well. They have really enjoyed being able to chat and play with their friends again after the summer holiday. Fingers crossed, there will be no unexpected announcements and the children will remain in our classroom for the entire year.

This newsletter will outline our learning for this term, the routines that we will have and the topics for the remainder of the year. However, more detail about each subject can be found on our website. We've also included a timetable to help as there are lots of things for you to remember too! Throughout this year, we will continue to use Seesaw to share homework and various messages. In addition, we are now using Seesaw as your child's reading record (see reverse of this for more information). Please use your child's new Seesaw login to access the new activities. I look forward to getting to know both you and your children more throughout the year.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or queries. You can do this via email, through the school office or catch us at the start or end of the day.

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Learning:

Our topic for the first half term is 'Are all dragons evil?'



During this topic, children will learn about the different seasons and how weather conditions change. In art we will be drawing dragons in different styles and making our own dragon eyes! In English, we will start by focussing on the text 'Dragon Post' and read a short section each day before trying to implement new skills in a range of text types. We will be making some visits to the field for Forest School to make nature sculptures, so please see the dates at the end to know when to bring Forest School waterproofs in.

Please see our Curriculum Map on the website for further details of this and our learning throughout the year.

Homework:



Tasks: Every Friday your child will be set homework on Seesaw / MyMaths. Your child will be shown how to complete the task in class before attempting to complete it at home.

Spellings: We will share ten words linked to a spelling rule we have been practising in class for your child to learn each week. There will also be an additional 1-2 common exception words, which will not be linked to the spelling rule practised. There will be a spelling test the following Friday for children to show what they have learnt. All spellings will be added to Seesaw each week.

Reading: We will only be changing books once a week (Thursday) when the children will be given two books to read at home. Please access reading in other ways such as through local libraries and books you have at home. Please support your child at home by listening to them read daily. We'd love to hear how well your child has read at home, so please add photos, comments and videos of them reading at home onto Seesaw. We will share the best examples with the class!

Year 2 Topics and Bucket List Activities

| Autumn 1 (02.09.20 – 21.10.20) | | Spring 1 (05.01.21 – 11.02.21) | | Summer 1 (19.04.21 – 27.05.21) | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Topic Title | Bucket List | Topic Title | Bucket List | Topic Title | Bucket List |
| Are all dragons evil? | Make Dragon Eyes | Little Masterchefs | Bake Cupcakes | Into the Unknown... | Explore the Woods |
| Autumn 2 (01.11.20 – 17.12.20) | | Spring 2 (21.02.21 – 01.04.21) | | Summer 2 (07.06.21 – 20.07.21) | |
| Topic Title | Bucket List | Topic Title | Bucket List | Topic Title | Bucket List |
| Perfect Planet | Make Bird Feeders | Monster Materials | Make a Movie | To be Announced | To be Announced |

Reminders:

Water: Please ensure that your child has a bottle of water every day, labelled with their name, to keep them hydrated throughout the day

Uniform: Please make sure that all uniform is named.

Snack: They can bring in a healthy afternoon snack, which must be kept in their coat pocket or book bag.

P.E kits: We will be doing PE outside as much as possible so please ensure that your child has the appropriate kit for this. Their kit can remain in school for the half term.

Forest School: Please bring waterproof clothing and wellies on the Forest School dates (please see timetable below). This could be a waterproof all-in-one suit or separate waterproof trousers and coat. This will make it easier for the children to put on over their clean clothes and mean they will get changed quicker so have more time on in Forest School.

Book Bags: We aim to promote more independence in Year 2, so we no longer check book bags. Children will be asked daily if they have anything in them, however it is their responsibility to bring their books / letters into class.

Library and Reading Books: Please could you return any school books from last year as soon as possible.



Timetable / Key Dates

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------|---------|------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| | | PE | New Books Sent Home | Spelling Test |
| | | Bring Books Back | Forest School | Homework Set |

Forest School Dates: **Thursday 9th September, Thursday 16th September, Thursday 23rd September, Thursday 30th September, Thursday 7th October, Friday 15th October** and **Friday 21st October.**

Children come to school dressed in Forest School clothing with clean footwear and with their Forest School outdoor footwear in a bag.



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