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Autumn 2 Information for Parents of children in Class 2

Date: 5th November 2021

Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome back I hope everyone has had an enjoyable half term.

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WATER BOTTLES

Please can all parents/carers try to remember to provide a water bottle for their child, children get thirsty during the day and need to stay hydrated. I still have children coming without them; some don't say they haven't got one which means their next drink isn't until lunchtime.

Class Routines

- **Tuesdays** will continue to be our Sports Coach day so please have PE kits in school at the beginning of the week. **Remember to pack layers for outdoor PE and trainers.**
- Wednesdays will be our library day. Children will need to have their book in school if they want to change it.
- **Friday afternoons** will be our other PE session when we do gymnastics. Children will just need some shorts to change into. Shorts only for gymnastics on the apparatus.
- Miss Wilkie will take the class on Wednesday afternoons with Mrs Longmire for ART and DT. Miss Wilkie will also take the class Tuesday afternoons for Music, PSHCE and PE with the Sports Coach.

Punctuality the teaching day begins at 8:50 as before so please be on time. Children can be dropped off from 8:40 to come straight inside.

Reading

We will continue to tick off how often children change their reading books so we can monitor how often children are reading and any children who are not reading regularly. Can I make a big plea that when you hear your child read at home that it's recorded in the home school book or Y3/4 could do it themselves for an adult to initial/sign. There are also sections at the front and back for children to record books they are reading at home. Most home-school reading books have little reading written in from home. As before Mondays and Thursdays will be the days I send children to the library to change their home reading books.

Home-School Books

Please remember these books should be in school daily, this helps us send messages home and also record reading. It's also essential for children being able to access their passwords for online learning. I will not see everyone's book on a daily basis, if there is a note for me then your child must be aware that he/she needs to bring it to my attention or I may miss it. If the message is urgent please contact the office, if it only needs answering that day/week you can also use Class Dojo.

Homework: Please read the homework note at the front of their CGP book

- Spellings set Mondays (This will always be done using Google Classroom.) Children and parents can access them from there) and tested Fridays.
- Times tables set Mondays. I will put this on the Dojo Class story and these will again be tested Fridays.
- Reading comprehension homework will resume next week. Remember it is collected in on Mondays and returned Tuesdays. Homework handed in late does not get marked. Children can hand their homework into the box at any time it doesn't need to wait till Monday if they do it earlier.



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<u>Maths</u>

Maths, in maths this half term we will complete addition and subtraction, learn about money and begin some of our multiplication and division learning that will be completed in the Spring term.

<u>English</u>

We will begin with some instructional writing based on the text How to wash a Woolly Mammoth. Then we will do some non-fiction report writing based on Stonehenge before getting our teeth stuck into Stig of the Dump.

Last half term in the information letter I wrote about Class 2 entering the North Yorkshire Countryside competition 21/22. I have popped the link below where they have uploaded our entries.

https://www.cprenorthyorkshire.co.uk/discover-our-countryside-2/competitions/school-writingcompetition-entries-2021/entries-from-husthwaite/

Class 2 Curriculum Coverage

Our main topic will continue to be 'Rock through the ages'

History: Children will learn about the Stone Age through to the Iron Age and the Roman Invasion which will then set us up for our Spring Term Topic. Some of our learning on this topic will be cross-curricular through our English and class texts (see above)

Our other subject areas are:

- Science: Year 2 will continue to study Every Day materials this term. Y3/4 will begin their Sound unit of learning.
- RE: Children's learning will focus on: What Good News Did Jesus Bring?
- **Music:** Children will be doing a Charanga unit: Let your Spirit Fly.
 - **PE**: Tuesday: Football training led by our Sports Coach. Please can I suggest that children have shin pads to protect their legs. They will also be useful for our next PE lessons after half term when we do hockey using wooden sticks. Friday: Gymnastics led by Miss Goodchild.
- **Computing**: this half term our focus will be Online safety and spreadsheets using Purple Mash.
- **French:** we will continue to progress through aspects of the French language, following the NYCC coverage. We will be completing Les Monstres which focuses on parts of the face and body and also be studying La calendrier des fetes which focuses on numbers and months of the year.
- **DT:** Christmas Woodwork
- **PSHCE:** This half term we will study How do we treat each other with respect? As well as antibullying which will link with National Antibullying week and the theme: One Kind Word.

Thank you for your support. Miss Goodchild

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