

# Year 2 Autumn Curriculum News!

Welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful summer break. The children have settled well and are enjoying being back at school. They have embraced our new routines and are getting stuck into their learning!

We have been working very hard on our curriculum which is both educational and lots of fun!

**RE** This half term will be looking at special places in Christianity. We will be looking at Churches and designing our own stained glass windows!

## **PSHE**

This will focus on the topic 'All about me'!

During these lessons the children will be looking at rules, how to deal with different situations which they might face and what makes a good friend. The children will continue to work on the Zones of Regulation and how to share and regulate their emotions.

As part of our school branches we are focusing on 'Respectful Mouse'.

## **Maths**

This term we will be working on place value and addition and subtraction. During these sessions they will build on the knowledge they have gained in year 1 and begin to extend this. They will also be looking at a range of different strategies to help them find the correct answers. The children will also have the opportunity to continue to work on their times tables and general mental maths.

## **English, spelling and phonics**

Our unit is called 'What would you do?' The children will read two stories that deal with themes of overcoming worries and facing fears. They look in depth at two different characters and explore how they overcome their fears. They will develop their knowledge of sentence constructions, joining two or more sentences with 'and' and correct punctuation, and explore using expanded noun phrases to add more detail.

We will be recapping Phase 3 for the first few weeks and then will move swiftly on to Phase 5 in preparation for our Phonics Screening Test.

## **KEY DATES!**

6th September - All about me week

13th September - Launch of Hot chocolate Monday

1st October - KS1 Sports Day

12th October - Parent Consultation 3.30-5.30

13th October - Parent Consultation 5-7

19th October - Harvest Festival (in school event)

22nd October - Last day of term

1st November - INSET day (no pupils)

2nd November - Pupils back

9th November - Bags2school collection

## **Year TWO routine**

**Monday—**Juniper class : Swimming

**Tuesday—** Hazel class: PE (to come in wearing kits)

**Wednesday—** Hazel and Juniper class

Homework and Reading Diaries due in. Online websites checked and updated. Spelling and times table tests.

**Thursday—** Juniper class :PE (to come in wearing kits)

**Friday—** Hazel class- Swimming (children must wear a swim hat and bring in £1.50)

## **Science -**

We will be focussing on materials and looking at the different properties they have. We will develop our working scientifically skills and write predictions and conclusions.

## **Things to remember!**

Please label your all of your child's clothing. Please remove your child's earrings before PE . Many children are finding this difficult and this is taking up valuable learning time.

Please remember to read for at least 30 minutes per week with your child and record this in their reading diary. This may mean your child re-reads their book several times over the week. We will change your child's reading book each week.

Spellings are stuck into your child's reading diary each week and should be accessed on Readwriter weekly too. There are many fun activities to help your child practise their spellings!

## **PE!**

This term we are learning Tag Rugby and Football skills. This will develop their skills, rules of the game and teamwork.

Children will be expected to come in to school in their PE kits