



## Class 2

### Autumn Term Newsletter 1



Hello Parents and Carers,  
Welcome back to school and the start of a new academic year! I hope that you all had a lovely summer holiday.  
I am pleased to tell you that this year we will have Mrs Firth and Mrs Duffy supporting and helping the children in class.



Our theme throughout the school this half term is 'Hearts and Minds'. We have a very busy few weeks ahead. Look below to see what we will be learning about.



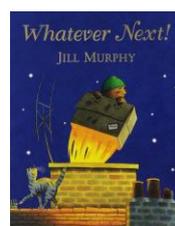
The Tiger Who Came to Tea

#### English:



Judith Kerr

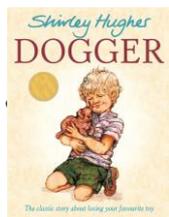
Children will be placed in new 'Read Write Inc' groups this term during which they will improve their phonics skills and look at which features to include in their written work.



Those children who have finished the 'Read Write Inc' programme will be reading and studying books set in familiar places including 'The Tiger who came for tea', 'Dogger' and 'Whatever Next' and will complete a range of written and drama activities based on the books. Towards the end of the term we shall look at poetry about 'the senses' - reading, learning and reciting poems before writing our own!

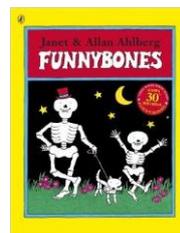


On Friday mornings during our 'Big Write' sessions, we will be studying 'Funny Bones' and shall write character and setting descriptions, stories and instructions based on the book.



Throughout each week we will practice our handwriting and start to join our letters.

Spelling tests will be on **Friday mornings**. Please help your child to practise their spellings and to remember to bring their spelling book to school each week.

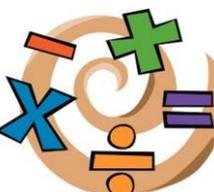


#### Maths:

We shall be looking at a range of topics, firstly counting objects up to 100, estimating the position of numbers on a number line and ordering numbers. We then will study number bonds to 10, 20 and 100 and practise counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s. Towards the end of the half term we will be investigate 2D and 3D shapes and will measure the length and weight of a variety of objects.



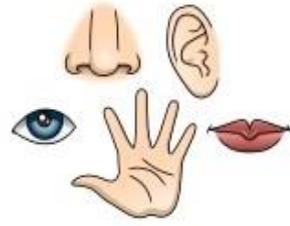
KIRFs will take place on **Wednesday morning**. There are lots of games to practise on Class 2's page on the school website.





### Science:

This term we shall be learning about the human body. We will look at the characteristics of living things as well as the importance of exercise, diet, hygiene sleep. We shall also learn about our five senses and some of the names of our bones. We will be developing our skills of scientific enquiry: learning to question, observe and analyse results. Towards the end of term we shall carry out an investigation into what happens to our food when we don't wash our hands!



### R.E:

Our topic this half term is 'What makes a special place?'. We will talk about our own special places and how they make us feel. We will also consider why the church is important for Christians and learn about the symbols and objects found in a church.



### History and Art:

Mrs Weale will be taking the class on Thursday afternoons for History - the children will be learning about how to place events on time lines and will think about their family tree.

In art this term the children shall create self-portraits using a variety of materials. The children will also study the work of Picasso and will create their own portrait based on his style.



### Art, Music, P.E and ICT:

We will use ICT to support our learning in many areas of the curriculum. We will mainly concentrate on how to create a word document (changing font styles, inserting a picture) and improving our typing skills.

The focus in P.E this term will be on games. We will practice a range of team games and improve our ball skills. We are also very fortunate as this we have a specialist coach coming in on Tuesday afternoons to teach the children some tennis skills.

In Music the children will listen, learn and sing a variety of songs; learning how feelings can be reflected through music and discovering how the body can be used as an instrument.



### Reminders!

**Reading** –Please could you read with your child daily and write a comment in their reading records as we value your input.

**Learning logs** - Learning logs began last week for Year 2. Activities will be set every other Wednesday and are due in a week and a half later on the Monday.

I am very much looking forward to meeting you all at 'Meet the Teacher' Evening on Wednesday 23 September.

If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss them.

Miss H Cook (Class Teacher) Mrs Firth (Teaching Assistant)

Mrs Duffy (Teaching Assistant) Mrs Weale (Teacher)

