



Sunnybrow Primary School

Class 2 Autumn News Letter

Welcome back! We are so excited to have all of the children back and hope you have had a great summer break. Year 1 and 2 are extremely fun and busy years. Year 1 children will be sitting the National Phonics test in June and Year 2 children will be completing National SATs tests in May. If you have any queries or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch. You can contact us either through calling the office to make an appointment, by catching us at the end of the day or through class dojo.

We are excited to get started on what we hope will be a fantastic year full of learning!

Important days in your child's week:

Monday	P.E. on an afternoon
Tuesday	Forest School on an afternoon
Friday	Spelling Test in the morning P.E on an afternoon

Things to note:

- Tuck shop is 20p a day. Please send the correct money or a £1 coin for the week, but no more than this!
- Please make sure your child brings their reading folder to school every day. We will be reading with children when ever possible. It also means we can check each day if your child's book needs changing.

- Please make sure that your child brings their bags into school everyday incase there are letters or other important information your child needs to take home as children without their bags do struggle with carrying things out at the end of the school day.
- The school now provides P. E. Kits to the children, this means you do not have to send your child to school with a P.E kit. However, we do not provide plimsolls/trainers, so it would be great if you sent some in for your child to keep on their peg this year.
- Forest School: Please send your child in with a change of clothes so their school clothes do not get dirty. If you have waterproof clothing (coat/trousers) please send them into school for them to use.
- Please make sure that you write your name into your child's school clothes, this helps us so much when they are left around school to give them back to the correct child.

Literacy

Throughout your child's time in Class 2, we will cover a range of text types/ genres of writing, including: stories, recounts, non-chronological reports and poems. We will also focus on developing your child's understanding of English grammar, punctuation and spelling to support the children as they prepare for their Year 2 SATs. Our class will continue to have weekly spellings to practise at home, which will be tested on Fridays.

Each child will be given a reading book to read at home each night and then read to an adult in school. In guided reading we will be concentrating on improving our understanding of a range of different genres, by reading a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts and answering questions on topics such as: the author's use of language, text structure and authors' viewpoints. Year 2 children will be signed up to Accelerator Reader, your child will take a test which then tells us which level they are at, children will then read the book and then take a quiz. Year 1 children will still be doing a phonics lesson preparing them for their phonics test in June.

Maths

During Year 1 and 2 we spend a lot of time learning the basics. This includes mental recall of facts such as times tables and their corresponding division facts, doubles and halves and number bonds. In addition to this, we will also be covering topics such as place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, shape, position, time and measurement.

Our Topics

The year is split into 3 terms. This term our topic is 'Toys'. In history, we will be looking at how toys have changed through the years. In Geography we will be learning about our local area and looking at human and physical features, in Design and Technology we will be focusing on Food, in Art we will be developing our skills in drawing and painting, in science we will be investigating different materials and in R.E we will be looking at Christianity.

Homework

It is expected that your child will read at home, at least 3 times a week. This must be recorded in their reading log book. Please don't underestimate the importance of regular reading practice at home. Every morning, your child will be asked to put their reading book in the reading book tray. We will then check the book and change it if we feel your child is ready and has understood the book they've read. We like children to read their book from start to finish twice before we change as this gives them time to understand what they have read and improve their fluency. Your child will have a weekly spelling test, which will take place on a Friday morning. You will receive the spellings for the term and it will state which spellings are for what week. To achieve expected level for Year 1 and Year 2 writing, children have to be able to apply the spelling rules from their year group's spelling lists, so please do practise the spellings as much as possible!

Thanks,

Miss Smith and Mrs Featherstone.

