



## KS1 Class Newsletter – autumn 2 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome back to a new half term! We hope you and your children have had a wonderful holiday and are feeling ready for the upcoming run until Christmas. We know we are!

### Topic

Our main topic this half term will be **LIFE IN THE PAST**. We aim to cover a range of time periods including the Victorian Era. Within our topic we will celebrate Remembrance and have some special activities planned to show our respect for the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of WW1. We will also cover the celebrations of Halloween and bonfire Night as well as studying the seasonal changes found in winter.

History	The Victorians
British Values	A range of current topics
Art and DT	Local Artists and Seasonal Artwork
RE	Christmas

### Literacy

Within Literacy the children will work on developing a range of writing skills; they will write for a variety of purposes. Understanding of the use of Punctuation will be the main focus across both year groups. We will write our own versions of Room on the Broom, a set of Instructions for how to stay safe on Bonfire Night, Newspaper articles covering the actions of Guy Fawkes and letters from Evacuees in WW1. We will then move onto the Nativity story and winter poetry.

### Maths

This half term in Maths the children will learn about:

	Year 1	Year 2
Week 1	Addition and Subtraction	Addition and Subtraction
Week 2	Shape	Length and Mass
Week 3	Place Value	Length and Mass
Week 4	Place Value	Graphs
Week 5	Addition and Subtraction	Multiplication and Division
Week 6	Addition and Subtraction	Multiplication and Division
Week 7	Addition and Subtraction	Multiplication and Division
Week 8	Christmas Maths	Christmas Maths



## Reading

Our Class Library day will continue to be a Monday, so please ensure your child has their library book in school on that day each week. Also please continue to send reading books and records into school every day as your child could read at anytime with an adult. Our Book Drop Box is in place every day, so if you would like a new reading book for your child, please use this facility.

Our half termly Reading Challenge will take place on weeks 6 and 7 to avoid the Xmas Chaos. ☺

## Science

In Science our Year 1 focus will be '*Everyday Materials*' and Year 2 will work on the '*Uses of Everyday Materials.*'

## Homework

Homework books will continue to be sent home each Friday and should be returned to class completed on Monday mornings. Homework tasks will vary but will always be set to extend learning that has taken place in class that week.

## Spellings

Spelling books will continue to be sent home on Mondays and spellings should be learned for our spelling quiz on Friday afternoons. Please make sure your child's spelling book is returned to school on a Friday so that we are able to set the following week's spellings on time.

## PE

This half term the children will continue to work with Coach David Wise and a variety of other trained coaches for their weekly sessions. Our set class PE days are Tuesdays and Thursdays. However please ensure that PE kits are in school all week as occasionally we participate in extra sessions. Also please remove earrings on the above days to comply with our Health and Safety policy.

## Snack Money

Snack money will continue to be priced at 50p per week and this will cover the cost of daily milk as appose to water at snack times and will also help to fund baking/ cookery activities in class. Payment can be made weekly or, for the full half term.

## Upcoming Events

Please read the Whole School Newsletter for upcoming events and information and also check out our website. Any daily notices will be written onto the classroom wipe board too!

Please do not hesitate to speak to us if you have any queries or concerns as we are always here to help!

Kind Regards, Mrs Regan. ☺