



# Autumn term

## Class 2

Welcome back everyone!

I would like to use this opportunity to say thank you to all of you who supported your child with their summer diary. They have provided opportunities for discussions and have also encouraged your child to write.

We are very fortunate this year, to have plenty support in class 2, and we are beginning the year with a big push on **reading**. Your child will be taking part in phonics sessions a number of times during a week. We will be working really hard to try and achieve reading 1-1 with an adult twice a week.

I would be very grateful if you could ensure that your child is equipped with their book bag, reading book and reading record book every day, to help us provide the best opportunities in reading for your child.

### Themes for the term: Owls & Harvest & Autumn Leaves

This half term we will be looking at a range of stories and information based upon Owls.

We will be learning about different types of owls, their habitats, what they eat, and we will be using them as a stimulus for writing .

Autumn will also be used as a stimulus for writing, particularly poetry and art-work.

### Writing

We are starting the term with a focus on letter formation and handwriting. Expectations of presentation are going to be made very clear to the children. They will constantly be encouraged to sit all letters and digits carefully on the line. It would be really helpful if you could encourage and support your child to form digits and letters correctly when completing homework.

### Art

Children will be provided with opportunities to use a wide range of mediums. They will be printing using leaves and different materials. They will be drawing, mark making and also exploring sculpture.

### Science

We will be learning about:

- Materials—identifying materials, describing materials & and learning about their different uses.
- Seasonal Change
- Owls linked to habitats



## Geography

We will be learning about our local area and carrying out some local fieldwork. This means that we will be going for walks around the villages, looking at human and physical geographical fea-

## History

In history we will trying to develop an understanding of history and timelines. We will be looking at significant events during the lives of the children and national events too.

## Computing

The children will be developing their digital literacy skills and they will learn how to use technology purposefully to create and store their work. The children are also going to introduced

## Open evening Tuesday 22nd September

The open evening next week is an opportunity for teachers to talk to parents about the organisation and running of the classroom.

If you have already had a child in my class, you will have already received most of the messages. Please do not worry if one of your children has started a new class, with a new teacher and you wish to attend that meeting.

If you have any concerns regarding this matter please talk to me at the end of the school day.

## Maths

Your child will cover all aspects of maths each term. We are currently focussing on number; place value, counting forwards and backwards, 1 more, 1 less and placing numbers in order. We will be moving onto addition and subtraction.

Maths homework given out will correspond to work covered in class. Please feel free to write a comment on your child's homework if you have given a lot of support or if they have found it particularly challenging.

## Homework

- I can't stress enough the value of you listening to your child read at home. Please can you record in the reading record book when you have listened to your child read.
- Keep a look out for word cards in your child's book bag.
- Numeracy homework will begin this week.

PE  
Monday  
&  
Thursday

I am looking forward to a hard-working term. It has been a wonderful start with lots of hard work already. If you have any concerns regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact me. I am often available at the end of the school day.

Mrs Hill