

Class 2 News Letter

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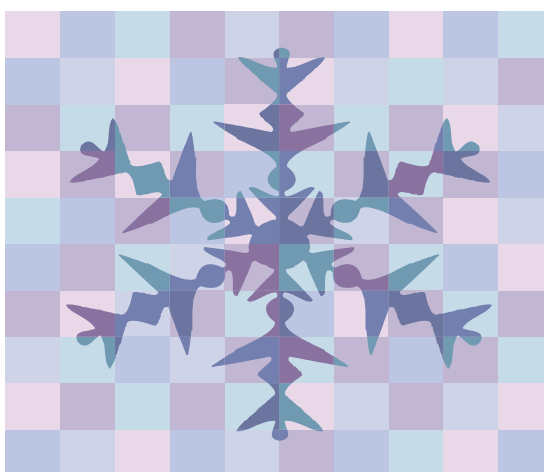


Happy New Year!

Welcome back and Happy New Year!

I hope that you have all managed to have a lovely Christmas break despite Covid 19!

In this newsletter I hope to give you an outline of what we will be covering and how you can help at home, as well as some general reminders for the upcoming term.



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General Reminders....

Snacks and Water Bottle

Please make sure that your child only has fruit or vegetables for their morning snack.

We always have fruit in school so don't worry if you forget.



Children also need to bring in a named water bottle. It is crucial that they stay hydrated throughout the day.



'Drink more, think more!'

Class 2 Times of the day

Class 2 are being asked to come to school at the normal time, from 8.45 in the morning. Children will be released from school at 3.15

Important Days

Friday- Spelling test
Wednesday & Thursday- PE

Wednesday- Forest school

Homework

Homework will now go back to being handed out on Friday. It can be handed in any day the following week but must be in by Friday.

Reading

Reading is an important part of a child's development. You should try to read with your child everyday. The best time to do this is at the end of the day when all the other jobs are done, so you can both feel relaxed and able to enjoy this time together.

There are useful tips for reading with your child on the class webpage as well as helpful questions for reading bookmark in their book bag. Please do take the time to discuss what is being read and take turns in reading if necessary.



Record reading activities in your child's reading record each time. Reading records should come back to school each day.

Children can continue to change their reading books independently each day.

Spring Term Curriculum News!

English

We begin this term with a Chris Haughton's book **Shh!** **We have a plan** as a fun starting point for learning how to write statements, commands, exclamation and instructions. We will then look at traditional tales, learning the story of **The Three Little Pigs** by heart and writing our own versions using conjunctions and punctuation. Then we will use the poem, **Switching on the Moon** to explore poetry about bedtime. After half term we will use stories about feelings like **The Crocodile who Didn't Like Water**. We will then use another Chris Haughton book **Oh, No George**. The children will write a recount based on naughty and good things they did now and when they were younger. We will finish the term with another look at poetry, this time with elements of fantast and humour.

PE

In PE we will be learning some invasion gymnastics and skipping skills. After half term we will be learning ball skills and keeping fit with circuit training.

Design Technology

In DT we will be learning about food hygiene rules and using kitchen equipment to prepare food safely. We will then apply these skills when making and evaluating a healthy dip and dippers treat!

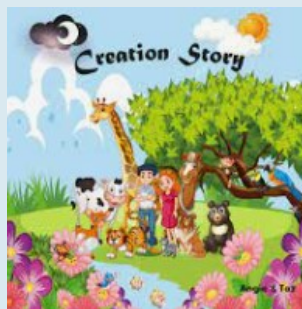


Maths

As usual we start the term with place value and number. We then move on to addition and subtraction, followed by money and time. After half term we will look at measuring weights, data handling and multiplication. We will finish the terms maths with another look at fractions, as well as 2D/3D shape and symmetry.

RE

We start the term thinking about 'Beginnings and Endings'. We will explore how beginnings and endings are marked in special ways in different religions and their own lives.. The children will explore religious rituals for the beginning of a child's life and a believer's journey of faith, as well as finding out how Sikhs celebrate the end of one year and beginning of a new year.



After half term we will be learning about 'Nature and God'. The children will learn about the creation story and hear stories from Buddhism and Islam that highlight the importance of looking after nature.

Science

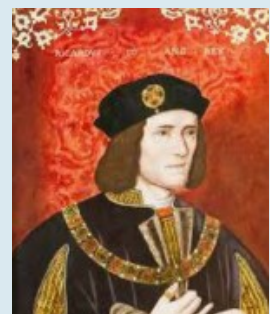
For the first half of the term we will be learning about the environment. I hope to introduce the ecological challenges that face the modern world. The children will undertake a range of activities that challenge them to engage with environmental issues and to understand the simple changes we can make to live more sustainable lives. for an umbrella!



After half term we will be learning about the uses of everyday materials including wood, plastic, metal, glass, brick, paper and cardboard. The children will then go on to compare the suitability of different everyday materials for different purposes.

History

In history this term we will be learning about significant monarchs in history, specifically Richard III. We will also make comparisons between Elizabeth I and Queen Victoria.



PSHE

Our focus for the first half of term is all about relationships and being ourselves. The children will be inspired by the idea that having confidence to 'be yourself' can have a positive impact on mental health and emotional wellbeing. I aim to enable the children to recognise their positive qualities and appreciate their individuality!

In the second half of the term our focus is living in the wider world. The aim of this learning is inspired by the idea that individuals can have a positive impact on groups and communities to which they belong. I aim to enable the children to identify that they belong to various groups and communities and identify ways in which they contribute positively to these different groups.

Music

In music this term we will be exploring pitch, instruments and symbols and pitch.

ICT

The first half of term the children will be introduced to the principles of coding, using the program ScratchJr. After half term the children will be using the program Turtle Logo and Scratch to create and debug algorithms.



Art

Art this term will be based around the Spanish Catalan artist Joan Miro. I will be inspiring the children with colour, fun, dreams and nonsense as they create



their own pieces of art.



Geography

Last term in Geography we were learning about our school. This term we will be learning about our locality beyond the school gate.



The Class 2 Team

We are very lucky to have an experienced and supportive teaching team in Class 2.

Miss Dani will continue to be with us every morning. Mrs Maughan will be with us every afternoon. We will also have Mrs Baird all day Monday and every Friday afternoon.

And Finally there is me! As always if you have any worries, or anything you need clarifying please do not hesitate to come and see me or email the office at office@cadmoreendschool.org.

Kind Regards

Mrs Bernard