

Autumn letter 2

Year 2
November 2018



Dear Parents,

I hope you've had a lovely half term with your children and are now ready to begin another jam-packed term!

What will we be learning this term?

Maths : This term, in maths we will continue to build upon the basic arithmetic skills that we learnt in the first term. It is crucial that the children master the basic concepts before moving onto harder ones. We will also be looking at measuring liquids, identifying 2-D shapes and word problems. We have made a great start at telling the time this week, and will be continuing to look more at this later on in the term.

English

This term we are going to continue developing our basic skills. There will be a larger emphasis on the use of exclamation marks and commas than last term, and we will continue to look at the correct use of full stops and capital letters. This term we will be looking at narratives and writing our own stories. We are also going to focus on using speech in stories.

R.E

This term, the children are going to be looking at how Christians look at light symbolically and where light plays a key part in the Christmas story. The children have already started to explore different possibilities as to why they think Christians see Jesus as the light of the world.

Cornerstones

After a lot of success with our new Curriculum, we can't wait to get started on our new topic.

Our topic this term is called Wriggle and Crawl. This has a main focus on science, particularly looking at living things and their habitats. On Wednesday, we are very lucky to be able to visit Hyde Park and look for lots of insects ourselves.

Music

After a fantastic start last term, we are still (teacher and children alike!) learning to play the recorder. Please make sure that your child brings the recorder to school every Thursday so that they can participate in class learning, as there are no spare recorders.

If you wish to speak with me, please make an appointment or use the Reading Record Book to leave a note. Please be aware that the morning is an extremely busy time and unfortunately I will not have time to speak with you.

I'm looking forward to another exciting term!

Miss Place

How can I support my child at home?

To support your child's learning and progress in maths, please practise the 2, 5, and 10 times tables with them at home.

To support your child's learning and progress in English, please revise full stops and capital letters with them at home. Speech marks and commas could also be looked at if you wish to make things a bit harder! Please ensure that you read with your child regularly.

Here are some ideas for further optional activities you may like to do at home:

- Go on a minibeast safari with your family. Investigate your garden, local park or woodland to search for wriggly and crawly creatures!
- Visit your local library and find stories, poems and non-fiction books about minibeasts. Write a review of your favourite book.
- Write a list of adjectives to describe what spiders look like and a list of verbs that describe what spiders do. Try and use these words to create a spidery story!

Homework

- Homework will be set on Mondays, and needs to be completed and handed in on the following Monday.
- To help your child understand their spelling words, they should write a sentence for each one.
- Grammar, punctuation and reading comprehension will be set in the provided books. The children will circle the page number that they need to complete in that week
- Mathematics homework will be set on the computer.