



Year R/1/2 Curriculum Newsletter Autumn Term 2

Dear Parents and Carers,
Please have a look through this newsletter so you can talk with your child about their learning this term.
Any questions/queries, please ask.

If you read just one book a day to your child, they will have read 1825 books by their 5th birthday.

**Every Day Counts.
Every Book Counts.**



English:

We will look at different traditional tales, especially 'The Elves and The Shoemaker' by The Brothers Grimm. After sharing and learning the story, the children will make changes to it and then 'magpie' ideas to write a new version of their own. They will also make links to their work on materials in science.

Maths:

The children will be doing more work learning their number bonds securely (both to 10/20 and within 10/20). They will be consolidating subtraction knowledge, comparing addition/ subtraction sentences and working on 2-digit problems. 2d and 3d shape will also be introduced/revisited and Year 2 will begin work on their times tables. Year R will continue to develop confidence working with numbers and also looking at shape and patterns.

Science:

This term the children will be using the stories of 'Where the Wild Things Are' by Maurice Sendak as a springboard for their investigations into different everyday materials, thinking about which objects are made from them. They will gain an understanding of how the materials used to make an object are chosen because of the properties of the material.

Theme:

This term's theme is '**Who was Henry VIII?**' and the children will find out what kind of king he was. They will consider how his reign affects the way we live today. During this work, the children will revisit where Kent is situated within the UK because of the castles built/used during the Tudor period.

RE:

Our big question is '**Why is Christmas important to Christians?**' Children will be looking at the reincarnation, and the importance of this event to Christians.

Computing:

This term the children will be learning how to use technology safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private

PE & Games:

This term, PE (tennis with Chris) is on WEDNESDAYS. Joggers/sweatshirt are recommended as lessons will be outside as much as the weather permits.

Homework is now given out as a grid at the beginning of each term;
Reading/spelling are the compulsory elements; other sections are for children who may wish to complete additional homework.



WOODLAND SCHOOL AT NONINGTON

We plan to use the wooded area behind the school for some outdoor learning activities. Children will need appropriate clothing in school in order to access this. **They will need:** *wellington boots, waterproof trousers and jacket, old jeans/thick trousers, sweatshirt.* All items must be **named**. Children who don't have these may be unable to participate.

RESOURCES NEEDED!

Old Wellies that your children may have outgrown that can be kept in school as spares for any year group.
We are always in need of resources to add to our modelling tub (tubes, pots, different sized boxes, egg boxes, old birthday/other cards, ribbons, buttons, etc).