



★ Newsletter ★

30th September 2022

I can't believe that we are almost into October already! The time is certainly passing quickly and your children have continued to work hard over the last two weeks. They are now really settled and have adapted so well to the many routines that we have in place. I am so proud of every child in my class!

Our topics are now well underway and the children have enjoyed mixing primary colours to create secondary shades to create some very carefully painted colour wheels! In R.E. we have been discussing belonging and every child has drawn careful pictures of things they belong to. In Science we have categorised different materials and discussed what each one is made from. For Geography, the children enjoyed sorting human and physical features using a variety of photographs. In History the children have enjoyed discussing and sequencing the six stages of life and have arranged them along a timeline. *From this, the children need to bring in a photograph or object that reflects an important life event, for example, a special birthday, christening, family celebration or personal achievement. We will be sharing these on class on Monday, 3rd October.*

We have also been very busy learning words to our Harvest songs and a poem in readiness for the service in St Peter's church later this half term – you may have heard your child singing or humming the tune at home!

The children are continuing to enjoy their outdoor P.E. sessions with Nick on Friday mornings – he has been really impressed with their listening skills and how much they have grown up since working with them in Year 1. We have noticed that the weather is changing and there is a chill in the air. I would strongly recommend that you send long jogging bottoms and a warm top for these sessions if you have not already done so as we move into the cooler months.

Maths:

In Maths, year 1 have been doing lots of practical activities to consolidate our understanding of place value with numbers. We have looked at sorting objects into appropriate groups, counting objects, counting objects from a larger group, representing objects using a tens frame, finding one more than any given number and counting backwards.

In year 2, the children have been working on place value with numbers to 100 and beyond in a variety of different ways. We have been partitioning tens and ones using base ten, counters, ten frames and part-whole models to show our understanding of what each digit of a number represents.

English:

We are really enjoying our text 'Where the Wild Things Are' by Maurice Sendak. The children have also enjoyed listening to the story and have sequenced the main events. We then checked our understanding by drawing a story map with key words from the story.. We have also looked at new vocabulary within the story and used these new words within a verbal sentence and a written one.

Thank you for supporting your child with weekly spellings. The year 2 children were very excited to have their first spelling test last Friday and were equally as enthusiastic today! (I am sure the excitement will calm down soon!) As mentioned previously, extra spellings can be practiced at home using the common exception words that were provided alongside the spelling lists. All information is also available on my class page of the school website.

Reading:

Please aim to read with your child at least three times a week and continue to sign it in the diary pages of their planner. I will now continue to be checking diaries every Friday and will award stickers as a reward for regular reading. If books need changing in between your child's nominated book change day, they will need to let me know and I can organise an extra book.

Additional Information:

- P.E. – Children will require an indoor and an outdoor kit for Friday mornings.
- Mr Murphy and Miss Evans are teaching our class on Monday 3rd October and Tuesday 4th October
- Harvest Service in St. Peter's Church – Thursday 20th October

The next newsletter will be found ONLY on the class page. It will be ready for you on the 14th October.

That's it for now!

Have a great weekend!

Miss Fisher 😊