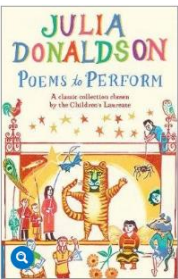


Class 1 and 2 Newsletter - Autumn Term 2017

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Welcome back after, what has hopefully been, a fun filled and relaxing break for you all. We should have had the opportunity to recharge our batteries ready for the inevitably busy, but exciting, term ahead. Just to remind you that Mrs Smith will be the class teacher in Class 1 on Monday and Tuesday, and Miss Kibblewhite will be the class teacher on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. In Class 2, Miss Igoe will be supported by Mrs Simpson and Mrs Barrett. Please can we ask then when possible you leave your child at the circle with their teacher and not accompany them into the cloakroom as it does tend to be a little jam packed.



Once again we begin the school year with a whole school theme, this term it will be thankfulness. Following on from this, we will move onto our new topic which will relate to the book we will be looking at in our English sessions, 'Poems to Perform'. This will allow the children to think about how they speak when performing to an audience.

By Friday 8th September your child will bring home their new reading book. Please continue to record your child's reading in their old reading record book that they started in Reception and Class 1. We will replace them when they are complete. Reading bags are expected to be in school every day so that their books can be used for quiet reading, and their reading record books can have comments added during guided reading sessions. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday the children will have an opportunity to change their own reading book. Initially, the children will be supported with this but we know they will soon be able to do it independently. Comments made by you will be checked during adult led guided reading sessions. If you have any urgent queries regarding your child's reading please come and see any of us. At times you will find your child has brought home two books, this is just to encourage them to develop a love of reading.

New home learning booklets will be coming to you on Wednesday 6th September. There is an allocated task each week to be completed by the following Tuesday. Once again we will be providing you with a book to complete the homework in. We appreciate that some tasks will not fit in the books and a brief comment or photo is perfect in these circumstances. Don't forget we would love to see the original piece of work where appropriate. Class 2 will also have a maths task to complete each week, although this will not begin until after the October half term.

In Class 1 PE sessions will be on Tuesday and Friday, and in Class 2 will be on Monday and Tuesday. Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school, and that all items of clothing belonging to your child have been named. Girls with long hair are expected to tie their hair back during P.E. sessions, so should have a hair tie in their bag if their hair has been worn down. Elastic bands will be provided if hair is not tied up.

The children have access to their water bottles regularly throughout the day and we ask that every child brings one to school with them each day. Many water bottles leak, so your child is welcome to fill it at school, and then empty it again before putting it in their bag at the end of the day.

We hope to have an enjoyable and fun start to the year; please remember you are welcome to arrange a time to come and speak to us if you have any concerns or questions.

Cheney Kibblewhite, Jade Smith and Sarah Igoe