

Dear Parents,

We have had a wonderful first week back this week. It has been fantastic to see all of the year 2s coming back and being so sensible and grown up. It has also been brilliant getting to know the year 1 children. They have been very brave and they have adapted to the new routines really well.

Phonics

This week we started to learn about the 'ay' spelling of the long 'ai' sound as in the word pray.

English

This week we have written sentences about our summer holidays. We have also really enjoyed hearing the Pete the Cat stories. We rocked with Pete in his school shoes and then thought about what we liked doing in our own new school shoes. We looked through Pete's magic sunglasses and thought about how we can see the good in each and every day. We also learnt about Pete's groovy buttons and how stuff will come and stuff will go but there is only one you.

Maths

This week we have been working on counting and understanding numbers. Year 1 have focused on different ways of representing numbers to ten and they helped a very silly alien to learn how to count. Year 2 have been working on numbers to 100 including place value and counting in 10s.

Other Subjects

In PE, we practiced different playground games. In art, we made birthday cards for the birthday box. PSHE this week was letting Mrs Miller know all about us. In RE, we learnt about what God means to us and what the Holy trinity represents to Christians.

Homework

This week the children's homework is to complete their school council election posters (which should be in their bags) if they would like to be in our school council. The vote will be held on Tuesday so please complete the poster by then. The duties of school council include monthly meetings, representing Class 2's views, deciding on the focus for pupil choice certificates, monitoring the upkeep of shared spaces and thinking of ideas to support fund raising.

Mrs Wright would also like children to make a little presentation if they would like to join Eco Committee. Please support your child to write a letter, draw a picture, make a PowerPoint or create a list of reasons why they would be a good ambassador for environmental issues.

Your child should also have a new reading book and reading record in their bag to read over the weekend.

Here are some links to support learning at home.

Year 1 spelling game: <https://wordwall.net/play/22129/552/501>

Year 2 spelling game: <https://wordwall.net/play/60223/346/655>

Year 1 maths game: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/teddy-numbers>

Year 2 maths game: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/place-value-basketball>

Next Week

PE will be on Tuesday and Friday.

Tuesday after school will be chance to pop into the classroom and collect your welcome pack and also your child's first homework which will include a maths sheet and a list of spellings to learn.

Those spellings will need to be learnt by Monday 16th September for Year 1 and Wednesday 18th September for Year 2.

From Friday 20th September homework will then be given every Friday to be completed by the following Thursday when folders will be collected in.

I will be sending weekly updates fortnightly from now on as we felt as a staff that receiving both a whole school newsletter and a class weekly update every week was a lot for parents to read and digest. However, if you have any questions I am available before and after school most days and you will receive your full welcome pack on Tuesday.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Dodd