



Class 2 Newsletter



Autumn 2018

Already this term, Year 2 have been writing to a Scientist named Dr. Wild. She wrote to us asking for our help in looking after her uncle's gruffalo. Throughout this year, Dr. Wild will be helping to inspire and challenge us in many of our subjects, especially our Writing.

Welcome to the new term. We hope you had a great summer holiday and are looking forward to the new school year. We are continuing to develop the creative curriculum with our theme of 'Who lives in a habitat like this?'

Music

This term the children will be exploring how to create a picture in the listener's head, using music. We will be composing habitat pieces. We will also be rehearsing our Christmas songs.

Dates for your diary

Friday 21st September- Commando Challenge
Monday 24th September- European day of languages (Switzerland)
Monday 8th October- Harvest Festival
Friday 12th October- Year 2 Friday Act of Worship and cake stall.

Art

The children will be using different techniques and materials to create their own unusual creatures for Dr. Wild. They will also use collage to create a habitat display.

Science

We will be learning about different habitats and how animals are suited to their environments. We will also be looking at the life cycles of animals, including humans.

General reminders

Homework - Homework will be collected in each Wednesday. Please ensure that the parent signature sheet is signed and brought in weekly, even if you don't have time to complete any of the activities.

Games and PE - Lessons will be on Wednesdays and Fridays. Please ensure your child has named appropriate kit (trainers, shorts, white t-shirt, tracksuit bottoms and top as it gets colder).

Helpers - If you are able to help with hearing readers or with other jobs in class, please let us know. We would appreciate any time you can offer.

English

This term we will be writing information texts on gruffalos to send to Dr. Wild. We will also be writing our own stories based on the Gruffalo, but set in a different habitat.

Maths

We will focus on counting on/back in 1s and 10s; number patterns; learning the value of each digit in a number; x facts for the 2, 5 & 10 times tables; and adding and subtracting numbers. The children will be applying their maths knowledge, explaining how to get to the answer and performing investigations of their own.

Computing

We will be learning how to keep ourselves safe when using the internet and how to use the keyboard correctly, practising our touch-typing skills. We will also be learning how to manipulate text and images in Word documents.



RE

We will be exploring key beliefs and stories within Christianity and Judaism, as well as looking at a variety of festivals through the term.

Geography

Alongside our work on habitats, we will be learning about the different geographical features found in different habitats. We will also learn to name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans, using maps, atlases and globes.

PE

Team building skills- working together to complete tasks.
Large apparatus- using equipment to balance, turn and move like a woodland animal!

We will also be learning the skills needed for tag rugby and other ball games.

Thank you for your continued support. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or problems.

Miss Clarke (Monday-Thursday) and Mrs Baker-Bruce (Thursday-Friday).

