



Year Two Newsletter – Autumn 1

Stomp, Chomp, Munch, Crunch!



Welcome back from what we hope has been a relaxing, joy-filled summer holiday. We hope the children are well-rested and ready to embark on the next stage of their learning journey! To kick off the Autumn term, we will be learning all about our prehistoric creatures with a visit from Dinostar on Dinosaur Day! The children will be reading dinosaur books and compiling their own fact files full of fascinating facts. Also this half term, we'll be visiting Hirst Wood nature reserve to discover the different habitats there.

Mathematics

We'll be learning about number, place value, addition and subtraction. The children will be learning the importance of the position of each digit and will be learning to count past 100. We will be beginning to learn our 2, 5 and 10 times tables too! Please support your child in learning their Learn By Heart targets, which will be sent home each fortnight.



Important Dates

Friday 15th September – Dinosaur Day

Wednesday 20th September – Visit Hirst Wood Nature Reserve

Thursday 21st September – Induction Evening

Friday 22nd September – Bedtime story day

Monday 9th & Tuesday 10th October – Parent consultation evenings

Friday 13th October – Year 2 assembly

Wednesday 18th October – Year 2 dinosaur museum! (3:20-4pm)

English

This half term the children will be reading a number of dinosaur related stories. Armed with all their research from their fact finding missions, they'll create descriptions of dinosaurs and make a fact file of fascinating facts.

To support writing, we will be learning about different sentence types and focusing on verbs and adjectives. Your child will do a mixture of shared, guided and independent reading each week. Please listen to your child read at home as often as possible.

PE

This term, in outdoor PE, the children will be learning new skills and refining old ones eg throwing and catching. They'll play team games and improve their communication skills along the way too. During indoor sessions, they'll be doing gymnastics, focusing on controlling and sequencing movement.

PE will be on a Monday (outdoor) and Tuesday afternoon (indoor). Children should come to school dressed in their school PE kits on both days - details of the school PE kit can be found on the website. Your support with this is hugely appreciated.



Science

Children will explore how living things have changed over time and that fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the earth millions of years ago.

Additionally, the children will link our science work to their learning in history about Mary Anning, a famous fossil hunter.

Dinosaur Day!

To kick off our topic on dinosaurs, Dinostar are coming to visit the children with a fun-filled day of dinosaur workshops. Children will be given the opportunity to see, touch and study both genuine and replica dinosaur fossils (including teeth)! They'll also make brass rubbings of fossils and make their own fossil replica.

It promises to be a very exciting day- we can't wait!

Visit our dinosaur museum!

We know you'll be excited to see what the children have learnt over the half term and would like to invite you to our Year Two dinosaur museum! From 3:20-4pm on Wednesday 18th October, the children's work will be on display for you to see. From fossils, to dinosaur art work, fact files to dino foot prints, you're certain to be in for a treat!

We look forward to seeing you!

Important Notes

Please ensure your child brings their book bag every day and that all uniform is clearly labelled.

Are you able to volunteer as a reader? If so, please speak to either Mrs Noble or Mrs Davies.

The Year Two team!

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Class teachers	Mrs Davies	Mrs Noble
Teaching assistants	Mrs Todd & Mrs Bagnall	Mrs Hall & Mrs Willoughby
Other Key members of staff	Miss Islam, Miss Brett & Mrs Morgan	

The half term ahead promises to be very exciting and we're certain the children will thoroughly enjoy themselves, as will we! Should you have any questions, queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Many thanks, The Year Two Team.