

# Class2Talk



'Reaching for the stars. Trusting, Believing, Growing'

#### Welcome to Class 2

#### Autumn Term i 2019

Class2Talk is an information sheet to help keep you informed of what we are doing in Class 2 - to enable you to support us, in supporting your child.

We hope you all had an enjoyable summer and everyone is feeling refreshed.

Mrs Sivyer works Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Wakeman Thursday and Friday.

We will not be having Show and Tell this year, instead children will have an allocated day to read a poem of their choice, a letter will be issued in due course. Naturally, if a special event has happened your child will be able to share their news.

## Theme - All About Me - Body Parts



In science, we will be exploring how our bodies work, looking at skeletons and body parts as well as thinking about how to stay healthy.

We will look at where we come from and find those places on maps while exploring what makes up the United Kingdom.

In DT we will think about how to use simple utensils to cook and tools to make simple moving body parts. In art we will look at self-portraits. We will also be thinking about friendship both in RE and PSHE.

#### English

This half term we will be looking at various books that link to our topic in some way and also allow us the opportunity for extending writing. Please encourage your child to read their reading book, or visit a library and choose other books. If your child is tired then let them listen to the story while you read but talk to them about what has happened in the story, can they make predictions, and which bits do they like best. We would be grateful if you could ensure that the reading books come back into school everyday. To encourage independence we will ask your child



to remove their own reading book and dinner slip from their bag. Please peek inside their bags occasionally, you never know what might be hiding in there!

We will continue with the reading record books, which you can also use for correspondence if you want to. For those of you who are new to the school, the reading record is the book that accompanies their reading book and should come home each day.

#### Maths

The children will be working on a wide variety of mathematical concepts this half term, these will include:

- Sequencing and counting
- · Place Value
- · Measuring capacity and mass
- · Addition and subtraction







## Information about what we do in Class 2

Mrs Sivyer will be in class Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Sivyer's Planning, Preparation and Assessment (PPA) time and Sendco times will be Monday and Tuesday afternoons where Mrs O'Grady will teach Class 2 for Computing, Outdoor Learning and PE

Mrs Wakeman will be in class Thursday and Friday, with PPA time on alternate Friday afternoons. This timetable is to give you a rough guide, we may swap some subjects around depending on tasks involved.

<u>History</u>	RE Who made the world? The story of the Creation	PE Roll, throw, catch, bounce, targets Dance	Geography  Where do I live? Locational skills, UK  Name, locate and identify the four countries and capital cities of the UK and surrounding seas.
English  Daily phonics and Handwriting Stories with predictable phrasing Funny Bones Stickman Titch Labels, list and captions Seasonal poetry & rhyme Retelling stories	Curriculum Autumn	Mathematics Counting and place value Number patterns - counting in 2's,5's and 10's Addition and subtraction Measure - capacity and mass	
Science Skeletons- Health and Growth Yr1; Describe and compare the structure of a variety of common animals. Yr1: Identify and name parts of the human body. Yr2: Describe the importance for humans to exercise, eating the right amount of different food and hygiene. Describe basic needs for human survival (water food air) Working scientifically: Pulse rate experiment Classifying animals with skeletons. Seasons: V1: Identify & name a variety of common & wild garden plants, including deciduous & evergreen. Observe changes across the seasons & weather.	All about Me - Body Parts	Class 2 Years 1 & 2  Mrs Sivyer & Mrs Wakeman	Computing Recognise common uses of information technology beyond school. Using tablets Basic computer skills- use technology purposefully.
SMSC British values Good Manners Respecting others	Art & Design Self Portraits, Giuseppe, Acrimboldo DT - Cooking gingerbread men. Understand where food comes from. Making bodies/clothes Season spinner	Music Songs about the body and sounds around us. 'Me' - use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes.	PSHE Likes and Dislikes Change and loss - feelings Physical & emotional Safety Class rules .

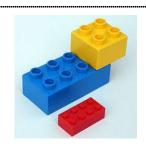
## Do you have any of the following?

We would be really grateful if you could donate any of the following to our class:









Old buttons

Old beads

Bits of ribbon

Old Duplo bricks

## Reading

The class teachers will aim to hear your child read at least every 2 weeks. This allows us to spend quality time with each child so that we are able to monitor and assess your child's reading. Throughout the week there will of course be many opportunities for your child to read. We are very fortunate to have Mrs Hornby in Class 2 this year; we will all work together to ensure that your child is heard read on a regular basis.

Library books will be changed as and when the children return them, using class monitors to act as the librarian. We will allocate time for up to 5 children to change their book each day- which means no one should be waiting long to change their book.

## Homework

Homework will consist of your child reading to you every day. Just hearing your child for 5 minutes each day can have a tremendous impact on their learning. Please make sure their reading book is brought back into school each day.

Mrs Wakeman will send home spellings which will start in the next few weeks. A homework book will also be sent home this half term and will have a summary of what we will be covering in class as well as suggested activities. Your child will not need to complete all the activities, it might be they just talk to you about what we have done in class to help reinforce their learning. The books will have a note explaining when they need to be returned. This should allow for everyone to have a chance to do something, without feeling the pressure of having to fit tasks in every week.

If you wish to do more with your child please see the table below. These are some of the areas we are currently working on.

Year 1	Year 2
Counts to and across 100, forwards and backwards, beginning with 0 or 1, or from any given number. Counts to and across 100 forwards and backwards from any given number.	Counts in steps of 2, 3, and 5 from 0, and in tens from any number, forward and backward by  Counting forwards and backwards in 2s, 3s and 5s and in 10s from any number and uses this to solve problems e.g. identifies missing numbers on a number line descending in 3s.

The secret to success is practising **little** and **often**. Use time wisely. You could practise some of these things while walking to school or during a car journey. You don't need to practice them all at once, have a number of the day and find as many different ways of making that number.

#### Show and Tell

We are going to move away from Show and Tell this year and focus on children being assigned slots to read a themed poem out loud to the class. We will send some some poems that your child might like to recite or you may like to find one together or even write your own.

A timetable will be sent out shortly.

Naturally if your child has had a birthday or a significant event has occurred we will always encourage them to share their news with the class.

#### Notes

All children need to have a water bottle at school, that they can keep in the classroom.

If your child has any medication to take you will need to go to the school office to fill in a medications form. Please make sure all inhalers are in date.

P.E is on a Monday and Friday, however PE kit needs to be in all week.

We encourage the children to be independent and hang their own belongings up as well as looking through their own bags for dinner slips etc. During the first term we try our best to go through the book bags each day to check.