



# Newsletter



Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022



	<i>Pupils Involved</i>	<i>Event</i>
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	'Full of Beans' after school club.	
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Year 1 Whole school Class 2 Years 1 - 4 Reception	Visit to the village. PE - come in PE kit. Football & Cross country event (here) After school clubs (Finish at 4pm.) Forest school (need outdoor clothes etc)
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Class 2	Visit to Killhope Mine - all day. Packed lunch needed. Please give your consent via Parentpay.
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Whole school  Year 2 & Class 2	Harvest assembly 11am  Swimming - children will need their swimming kit including a towel and goggles. Please use your ParentPay account to pay for swimming sessions - thank you.
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	School closes for half term holiday - return to school 31 <sup>st</sup> October.	
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October		
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Whole school Reception Whole school	PE - come in PE kit. Forest School session Cinema night - after school until 5pm. (ParentPay will be set up for this event £4)
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November		PTA meeting 2.30pm at school - all welcome.
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Whole school Year 2 & Class 2	Back to school coffee - all welcome(note the change of day) Swimming
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Whole school	Singing



Please contact our school office on 220230 as soon as possible if your child is absent or you have any changes to normal hometime arrangements- thank you.

## What's happening in my classroom?

Reception Topic – Autumn/ Harvest! Book of the week- The Little Red Hen.

Communication and Language- We will read the story 'The Little Red Hen' and focus on retelling the story in our own words.

Personal and Social Development- We will talk about our story of the week and talk about how we work as a team and how important it is to help others.

Physical Development – In PE, we will continue to take part in a range of games with Mr Ellison. We will continue to develop our fine motor skills.

Literacy- We will practise putting the story in the correct order and create our own pictures for the story. We will continue to follow our Read, Write Inc phonics programme and practise writing the letter sounds we have learnt so far using flour from our story. We will learn the sounds u, b, f and e. We will also follow picture instructions for making baking bread.

Mathematics- We will focus on the composition of the numbers 4 and 5. We will practise lining numerals with cardinal number value by counting conkers into the correct numbered pots.

Understanding the World –We will talk about harvest time and prepare for our harvest festival. We will bake our own bread.

Expressive Arts and Design – We will sing our harvest songs in our Harvest Festival. We will create some leaf pictures using some of the leaves we have collected in Forest Schools.

### Year 1

English- We are finishing our unit looking at 'The Jolly Postman' by writing letters to our friends and family. We will discuss the importance of the need for addresses and the structure of a letter. We will also write book reviews for some of the books we have been reading.

Maths- consolidating our learning on Place Value, we will revisit finding one more and one less, using greater than and less than as well as counting forwards and backwards using a number line. We will revisit these areas, while recapping any areas we need to.

Science- We will finish our topic on seasonal change by looking at how much rain we have measured in rain gauges over a week. On our walk into the village, we will also look for signs of autumn.

Art- Continuing our topic on Andy Goldsworthy, we will have a go at creating our own natural pieces of art using reflection and structures.

Topic- Our topic this half term has been Bellingham and our local area. This week we will create our own maps of Bellingham labelling the key places.

R.E.- This week, we will look at the beliefs of how animals and humans were created and discuss how we think animals and humans were created. We will also discuss the importance of looking after animals and plants.

Music- We will continue our work looking at rhythm and rhyme.

P.E- We will continue our lessons with Mr Ellison, practicing our skills and working as a team.

## Year 2

English: Our core text this half term is 'Claude in the city' by Alex Smith. This week we will be *writing our own Claude stories, we will be looking at similarities and differences in the stories*. We will be continuing creating our own Claude stories. Children will be bringing a copy home to read to you.

Reading: Our key author this half term is 'Julia Donaldson'. This week we will be reading 'Charlie Cook's favourite book'. We will be discussing our favourite book and using the conjunction 'because' to explain why.

Maths: Our topic is addition and subtraction. This week we will be exploring number facts such as if I know  $3+7=10$  then I also know  $30+70=100$ . We will also be ordering number sentences.

Science: Our topic this half term is materials. This week we will be learning about how some materials can be changed by squashing, twisting and bending by doing a science experiment.

Geography: Our topic this half term is London. This week we will learning about how to get to London and different forms of transport. We will be planning a trip on how to get to London.

Art: Our topic this half term is landscapes and cityscapes. This week we are learning about the artist Van Gogh and creating a landscape based on his paintings.

Computing: Our topic this half term is technology around me. This week we will be discussing how people use technology to help in their jobs and how we can use technology to help our learning.

R.E: Our topic this half term is special objects. We will be learning all about harvest and why it is important to Christians.

Music: Our topic this half term is 'Head, hands, feet' by Charanga. This week we will be learning a song and continuing to find the pulse to music.

P.E: Our topic this half term is basic skills and team games.

PSHE: Our topic this half term is being me. We will be learning about rewards and consequences. We will be talking about how to make our class and school a safe place.

How to help at home: Can you read your Claude story to someone in your house?

## Class 2

English - This week we are finishing 'The Great Kapok Tree'. We will be finishing our leaflets on animals from thousands of years ago and completing our timelines. We will be considering what we have learnt about the history of the Earth and our favourite parts from the story. We will then be writing a recount of our trip to Killhope Mines later in the week.

Maths - This week Year 3 are going to be subtracting three digit numbers with no exchanges before moving onto addition crossing 10 and 100. Year 4 are going to be subtracting four digit numbers, beginning with no exchanges and progressing onto 1 and more than 1 exchange.

Science - Visit to Killhope Mines. We will also be learning about Mary Anning this week and the contribution she made to palaeontology.

Geography - This week we will be creating leaflets for tourists visiting Bellingham.

Art - This week we are going to be doing our own cave drawings and paintings.

PE - Football/cross country tournament and swimming on Thursday.

RE - We are continuing our learning of Buddhist festivals this week by learning about Loy Krathong.

Helping at home - Can you read at home with your child at least three times a week and discuss with them what is happening in the story?



### Harvest Assembly

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 11am

Please come and join us for an autumnal assembly.

Food donations will be gratefully accepted in school this week and then shared via the Community Pantry.

Thank you in advance for this.



### Class 2 Football and Cross Country event.

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October.

We will be joined by our neighbouring schools to take part in these fun sporting festivals. Please make sure you have suitable outdoor PE uniform and some spare socks!



Visits this week:

Year 1 are going to the village - Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Class 2 are going to Killhope Mines - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Oct.

Please make sure you have completed the permission slips and that all children have suitable outdoor clothing for their visits.

Children in Class 2 will need a packed lunch on Wednesday.



Christmas Cards – Our deadline for online art work orders is midnight on 25/10/22

Please access the Art Project for Schools website to place your orders – thank you.