



## Year 1 and 2 Newsletter

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome to the Autumn Term. We are delighted the children are settling into their new classes and learning new routines. Please continue to speak to us about any concerns you have - either first thing in the morning, or after we have released the children at home time.  
Mrs Oxborough Assistant Headteacher

### Uniform Reminder

Thank you for ensuring that your children are wearing the correct school uniform - they all look very smart! Please make sure that all items are named so that we can return them if they are mislaid.

### PE

P.E. lessons are on the following afternoons:

Year 2 - Wednesdays

Year 1 - Thursdays

It is essential that children bring their P.E. kits to school on the correct day and that all items are clearly named. Please speak to staff if you are unsure what will be needed.

Year 2 are swimming this Year. 2 Blyton will be swimming this term.

### Reading and Phonics

We are continuing with daily phonics lessons to make sure that all children learn to read. Reading books match your child's phonic group so that home reading gives children a chance to practise the sounds they have learnt in school.

Thank you for your continued support with home reading. Please try to hear your child read at least three times a week and sign their reading diaries. Reading books should come to school every day as we also hear readers in the afternoons.

All classes have 'Reading Challenges' with a reward for children who are reading at home. Please speak to your child's teacher if you have any queries.

### International Primary Curriculum

Year 1's topic is 'Who am I?'. The children are learning about themselves and celebrating their uniqueness, whilst also seeing how much they have in common with one another.

Year 2's topic is 'From A to B.' They are finding out about the journeys people make and the different vehicles people use.

We look forward to sharing our learning with you soon.

### Maths - Fluency

We have introduced a short daily session to give children a chance to practise key skills such as number bands to 10, counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

The following website has games which will help children have instant recall and build their confidence.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7->

### Diary Dates for this Half Term

Friday 20th September - School closed INSET Day

Wednesday 25th September - School photographs

Friday 27th September - MacMillan Coffee Morning  
9am Junior dining hall

Tuesday 15th October - Parents' Evening 3:30-5:30pm

Thursday 17th October - Parents' Evening 4:00 - 6:30pm

Monday 21st - Friday 25th October - School closes for half term

Monday 28th October - All children back to school