



# Autumn Newsletter

**Dates for your diary**  
 Meet & Greet Parents' Evening is on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October  
 Last day of half-term is Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022  
 Children return on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022  
 Last day of the Autumn Term is Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2022  
 Children return on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2023

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## Staff

								
Mrs Zahoor	Miss Pacheco	Miss Navabi	Mrs Rami	Mrs Bartell	Mrs Webb	Mrs Begum	Miss Gaston	Mr Adeshina

<h2>Reading</h2>	<h2>Homework</h2>	<h2>Reminders</h2>
<p>All pupils have a reading book which must be brought into school along with their Reading Record in a bag every day. It is very important that they bring them in every day as there may be opportunities for them to read through the day and their teacher may need to listen to them read. Their teacher will also check the Reading Record through the week.</p> <p>Please take time to listen to your child read each day and talk to them about their book. They need to understand what they are reading – not just be able to read the words. Could you also please ensure that you write a comment or just sign their Reading Record at least three times each week.</p> <p>Try taking your child to the local library, it's free to join and borrow books.</p>	<p>Times tables and weekly spellings will be sent home and tested weekly at school. These need to be practised each night so that your child is fully prepared.</p> <p>Pupils will also be given other homework activities each day and we'd like to thank you for continuing to support you child with their homework activities each night.</p>	<p>We will be having a PE lesson on <b><u>Mondays and Wednesdays.</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please make sure your child comes to school wearing the correct P.E. kit on these days. This should be: trainers/plimsolls, a white t-shirt and blue shorts/leggings/jogging bottoms. Shorts, jogging bottoms and t-shirts are available for sale in the main office.</li> <li>Jewellery <b><u>must not</u></b> be worn at school except for stud earrings which must be removed or covered with plasters for P.E.</li> <li>Please ensure ALL of your child's clothing and shoes are labelled with their name. It is your child's responsibility to keep their belongings safe.</li> </ul> <p>Remember school starts at 9.00am but they can start coming into school from 8:45. Don't be late!</p>
	<h2>Communication</h2>	
	<p>Remember – you don't need to wait until Parents' Evenings to talk to your child's class teacher. Messages or information can be shared when you drop off /collect your child. If you need a conversation, make an appointment via the main office and your child's teacher will make time to see you.</p>	

# Year 2 Autumn 1

## PSHCE

Health and Wellbeing  
Think Positive

This unit will help children to recognise and accept their feelings, both positive and negative, as well as how to manage certain feelings.

## COMPUTING

IT around us

How is information technology (IT) being used for good in our lives? With an initial focus on IT in the home, pupils explore how IT benefits society in places such as shops, libraries and hospitals.

## FRENCH

Numbers and Colours

*Grammar focus: Personal pronouns*

By the end of the unit, children will be able to count in French. They will also know the names of the colours and will use this in conversation; to include describing objects. Children will also practice the basic conversational French they learned in Year 1.

## SCIENCE

Uses of Everyday Materials

Children will identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials including; wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock and paper.

Children will also explore how the shapes of some solid objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching

## ART AND DT

Family Art

**Artist:** Kasimir Malevich

**Technique:** drawing, painting and collage

**Skills:** drawing the human body, painting neatly within the line, cutting shapes, gluing, sticking and collaging the human body.

This half term, the Year 2 students will learn about Russian artist Kasimir Malevich. They will use painting and collage to depict their family in the style of Malevich.

## RE

Stories Jesus told

In this unit pupils learn about stories from the New Testament gospels that Jesus told. Pupil will be asked to draw on their own experience and understanding of storytelling and story writing. They learn about how important it was for Jesus to tell stories as a means of teaching about God.

## PE

Hockey

Children will be able to: follow simplified rules of a game; stay in a zone during a game; use and decide where the best place to be is during a game and use one tactic in a game.

**Health and Fitness**

Children will be able to: show how to exercise safely; describe how their body feels during different activities and explain what their body needs to keep healthy.

## MUSIC

I'm not alone

With a growing repertoire of songs & rhymes, we build links between known and new experiences that strengthen our memory and recall. We focus on pitch recognition, learning hand signs for solfa pitch names; so and mi. We start reading & writing rhythms.

## GEOGRAPHY

How many countries are there in the UK and what are they like?

In this unit, children will learn general information about the UK, including the difference between The British Isles, Great Britain and the UK. They will learn about the countries which make up the UK, developing their sense of place. They will be using maps and atlases to find and learn about man-made and natural features as well as drawing their own map of part of their own settlement.