

GREEN CLASS NEWS

AUTUMN 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 1 and 2. It has been lovely to get to know your children over the last week. and been lovely to see the Y2 stepping up to being great role models. They have returned to school with confidence and are already working incredibly hard. We have lots of exciting learning planned for this term, which I am sure the children will enjoy. Our topic web outlines the different subjects we will be exploring in more detail. In Science, we will be learning about different types of animals and how they grow. In History, we will be looking at toys from the past and how they have changed over time. In Geography, we will be thinking about where we live and exploring our local area. We are hoping to visit the Zoo this term as well as a Christmas theater trip. The children will also develop new skills in Art, Design and Technology, and Computing. In English, we have already begun reading Naughty Bus, which the children are thoroughly enjoying. We will be sharing lots of other wonderful stories throughout the term as well. We are looking forward to a busy and exciting term ahead and thank you for your continued support.

Growing Independence

Setting class routines really help children feel comfortable as they do like to know what they are doing. Coming into school promptly really helps children settle as they have time to chat and catch up with their friends and teachers before learning starts. Children need to come into school by themselves saying goodbye to parents at the gates. There are staff on both gates to take messages and help the children come in if they find transitions hard, sometimes waiting to walk in with a friend helps. It is important to start developing their independence this year, so get them to pack their bag and make sure they have everything they need each day. I have added a list of things they need each day to the end of this letter to help them get organised.

Keeping Active & Healthy

Forest School will take place on Tuesdays. Children will need to bring suitable Forest School clothing, including long-sleeved tops or jumpers and long trousers that you are happy for them to get muddy. Wellies are preferable, although old trainers are also suitable. If Forest School needs to be cancelled due to the weather, I will notify you via Dojo. If you have not received a message, please assume that the session is going ahead as normal.

PE will take place on Wednesdays. Children should come to school wearing their PE kit on this day.

The school provides a healthy morning snack of fruit and vegetables. If your child would like an additional healthy snack, such as crackers, you are welcome to provide one. Please also ensure that your child brings a named water bottle to school every day. Water bottles can be refilled in school as needed

Reading

Reading will continue with Little Wandle Ebooks which the children will read three times at home. Children will have read the book at school, building their fluency, expression and comprehension. This reading will embed the knowledge taught at school and should be a quick five to ten minute read. The children will also take home a quality real book, which they will share with you, from the class library. This will help foster their love of reading and chance to enjoy a quiet time together. These books may need to be read to them but should have elements where they can join in. Once your child has secured the skills for reading with their phonics decoding, they will then take home a structured reading book which they can read to you. Year 2 is the year where this transition often happens so some children will have electronic books and others will take books home. They have a reading diary to fill in with the books they take home. They can change these when ever they have finished and I have encouraged the children to write in their new book.

Dates

Dates to add in your diary

Christmas Play
Tuesday 15th December

Keeping in Touch

I am always available after school for a quick chat if you need to talk about anything. Class dojo is a great way to message me too especially if you have a message in the morning. Please make sure you regularly check it not just to see what the children have been up to but also be able to receive important information about what is happening in class.

I hope the children are looking forward to what is going to be a busy and exciting term ahead. Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Marshall