



Year 2 Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 2026



Welcome back! We hope you have had a restful and enjoyable summer, we are pleased to see the children back in school. During the first few weeks, we will be focussing on the children's well-being and settling them back into the normal routines of the day. We will also be reminding and reinforcing routines and expectations to enable us to all work together, ensuring we are all learning and supporting each other. We have some exciting areas of learning coming up in Term 1. Below is a summary. We look forward to working together with you and your child.

Ms Keeling, Mrs Maund, Mrs Banks and Miss Smith

Reading



We cannot emphasise enough the importance of reading at home. Please listen to your child read regularly and ask them questions about the text. Without the ability to read, children find accessing the curriculum a struggle and we want all our children to access a broad and balanced curriculum.

Maths

In Maths we will be learning about place value and counting in 2's, 5's and 10's. We will also be learning how to add and subtract using a tens and ones grid. Children would benefit from regular practising their 10 and 2 times tables. Apps such as Whiterose, 1-minute maths and games such as 'Hit the Button' will help with their speed of recall.



Science



What are the basic needs of animals (including humans)?

We are learning about animals, including humans, this term and will consider their basic needs. This will involve looking at what they need to survive; including exercise, food, shelter and hygiene.



PE

Both classes have PE lessons outdoors (where possible) on a Tuesday and Friday. The children may come to school in their kit and stay in it all day.

When wearing PE kit, ensure that your child has dark jogging bottoms, a sweatshirt or school fleece (no hoodies) and trainers.

Dates to remember:

Meet the teacher 9.9.26

KS1 Parent Phonics workshop – 21.09.26

KS1 Parent Maths workshop – 28.09.26

School photos 1.10.26

PFA school disco 09.10.26

Flu vaccinations – 12.10.26

Harvest Festival 15.10.26

Parents evenings 21.10.26 & 22.10.26

History

What is the British monarchy?

We will be learning about significant British kings and queens. We will be learning about putting events in time



order (chronology).

English



The children will continue with Read, Write Inc. lessons alongside daily Writing Inc. lessons which are planned through Writing for Pleasure. Our grammar focus is to use capital letters and punctuation. Handwriting is very important in Year 2 and children will be encouraged to form their letters neatly. In Year 2 children will also work on daily spelling tasks.

RE



In RE this term our Big Question is 'Who made the world?' We will think about the creator of the world. We will be learning about the creation story and what this tells Christians about God.



PSHE

We follow Jigsaw for our PSHE learning. This term we will be focusing on being ourselves. We will consider our hopes and fears, our rights and responsibilities and rewards and consequences.

If you need to talk to us at any time please call the office: 01233 622673. Alternatively email us: year2@kingsnorth.kent.sch.uk