

Bellfield Primary School

Autumn Term Newsletter

Year Group: 2



Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! We are looking forward to a fantastic year and know that the children are going to be amazing! Although this is going to be a 'strange' term, we know that you will continue to support us in ensuring that all children are given the highest quality teaching and succeed. This is our new style class newsletter. All communication will be sent out via Seesaw or Parent Pay so please login to your emails and Seesaw account on a regular basis.

Welcome and Termly News

Welcome back everyone! I hope you had a lovely break and are as excited as me to start our journey in Year 2 together. We will also be welcoming Mrs Haley to our classroom, who will be working alongside myself as a trainee teacher for the year.

Drop off time – 8:40am

Pick up time – 3:05pm to 3:15pm

PE will be on Tuesday afternoons – trainers are required to participate as we will be using the school's scooters.

Spellings will continue to be sent home with weekly checks in school. The amount of spellings will increase this year as we start to focus on spelling rules and patterns.

Homework is given on Friday and collected in by Thursday – we will start this next week.

Home reading books will also be given out next week. The expectation is that your child reads 4 times per week. Please remember to sign your child's reading records and allow them to complete the activity in this so they do not miss out on winning prizes.

Literacy this term and our chosen author/text:

As Authors and Readers we will be reading Percy the Park Keeper - After the Storm. We will be diving deeper into the story, identifying the main parts of the text and any new words. We will also be innovating different parts of the story before writing our very own version! We will be ensuring we remember our basic punctuation in Literacy sessions, along with using adjectives and conjunctions independently. With links to reading, we will be continuing with daily Phonic sessions along with whole class reading which will focus

on answering questions and retrieving information from the text.



Phonics:

This half term we will continue with our daily Phonic sessions along with an afternoon catch up session. After half term, the children will sit the Phonics Screening Check which they missed in Year 1. If your child does not pass this check then they will re-sit the check in June 2021.

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Maths this term:

As Mathematicians we will be working with numbers up to 100. This will include identifying the place value of numbers, counting forwards and backwards and writing them. After securing this knowledge, we will be using practical equipment to solve addition and subtraction number problems along with solving written number problems. We will also be doing daily Big Maths sessions to help us learn and retain number facts and orally rehearse and recall our 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables.

Curriculum:

As Artists we will be learning all about the artwork of the artist Andy Goldsworthy. We will be designing and making our own piece of art using natural resources. We will aim to create our own final piece at East Park during our trip this term.

As Designers we will be making our very own moving picture! Inspired by the splash boat at East Park, we will explore mechanisms to create our very own moving splash boat. We will then evaluate our finished piece and make any improvements if needed.

As Geographers we will be identifying both human and physical features on maps and within East Park. Following on from this, we will devise our own map with a simple key. Our overall outcome will be to map the route from school to East Park. To do this we will be extending our knowledge of compass points and directional language.

As Historians we will be exploring the history of East Park. This will include looking at and sorting pictures of East Park into past and present. We will be conducting our own research into the history of the park and then creating a timeline of East Park's history.

Science:

As Scientists we will be learning about animals and humans. This will include learning about a healthy diet, the need to exercise and to have good hygiene. We will also learn about animals and their offspring, including how they look alike. We will then discussing what animals and humans need to survive.

Educational Visits

Covid-19 permitting we will possibly be visiting East Park later in the half term. Alternatively, we will plan to arrange a visit in school from a Park Ranger.

Special events

Event	Date	Time
Jeans for Genes	18/9/20	All day
MacMillan Coffee Morning	28/9/20	All day