

# Year 1/2 Autumn Term Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 1/2. I hope you've all had a lovely summer and enjoyed the great weather. This half term we have lots of exciting things planned as we settle into our new classes and get to know each other.

In Year 1/2 the children will take part in PE sessions every week and need a PE kit in school at all times including pumps (a change of socks is also handy, in case of wet feet at playtimes). A waterproof coat is also needed in school as we try to get the children out in all weathers. The children also need a book bag and their reading book and diary in school each day so we can check the children's books and listen to them read whilst they are in school. School book bags are ideal as they fit into the children's trays so we can help them get organised and they have quick access to anything they may need during the day.

Homework is set each Friday and includes a piece of English, maths or topic work and spellings to learn. All homework is due back the following Friday and the children will complete an informal spelling test to check they are secure with the words. The children will also receive reading books to share at home that will be changed regularly in school. You will receive a separate letter explaining how children learn to read, teaching reading in school and how you can support your child at home.

The topic this half term is 'The Great Fire of London.' They children will be learning about the events of 1666 through a wide range of activities involving lots of



curriculum areas. We even have our own Pudding Lane Bakery in the classroom. As part of the topic, we are hoping to visit New Mills Fire Station and look at how fires are extinguished today and the people who help us. If any parents or carers would be able to help us to walk to the fire station, please let in know.

If you have any questions for me or the classroom team, please do not hesitate to ask or arrange to come into the classroom and have a chat and have a look at your child's work.

Best wishes,  
Mrs Calvert