

# Class 1 Newsletter

**This half term:**

**Wednesday**

Reading  
folders/library  
books returned

**Thursday**

Community Bank

**Friday**

**PE (earrings  
removed)**

Reading folders  
sent home  
Book Club

Welcome back - hope you had a lovely half term holiday.

Thank you for adding the photos to Tapestry. The children enjoyed sharing the different activities they did during their week off.

We planted some potatoes earlier this year as part of the *Grow Your Own Potatoes Scheme* and it will soon be time to harvest them. We have to find the heaviest potato from each bag and then we need to count them to see how many we have grown. We will investigate different ways to cook them and I'm sure we will enjoy eating them!

We start our football coaching sessions this week. The children will need to come to school in their PE kits every Friday.

The children are continuing to work hard to develop their reading and writing skills. They have been keen to learn their tricky words - thank you for practising them at home. I completed a sound check this week which I will put in the children's reading records. Please can you continue to practise the sounds in their sound book, particularly any they are unsure of.

This year is flying by and the children are already starting to talk about Class 2. They will be going to visit their new class later this term.

Thank you for reading our newsletter. If you have any concerns or questions please get in touch. Miss Morgan

Our topic for this half term is  
**Let's go on an adventure**

### **Literacy**

We are continuing to practise our letter sounds and we will be recapping the digraphs e.g. ee, ai, igh etc to ensure the children can recognise and write them. We will be working to secure the correct formation of the letters a-z. We will begin to use a capital letter at the start of a sentence.

Through this topic our writing focus will be on writing simple stories. Miss Morgan has found lots of adventure stories to read to us and we will use these to help us create our own stories.

### **Communication and Language**

To ask and answer how or why questions.

### **Understanding the world**

Find out about different places and look at the differences and similarities between them.

We will explore making maps and investigate the different ways we could travel to each place.

We will be finding out about directions and using the Beebots to explore and follow simple routes.

### **Creative**

This term we will be looking at our painting and drawing skills including colour mixing and adding more detail to our pictures.

### **Maths**

Our focus this term will be on using and applying skills including adding and taking away numbers. We will investigate doubling and halving numbers and sharing small amounts. We will continue to develop our maths facts and investigate finding different ways to make numbers up to 10. We will build on our counting skills and recognition of numbers to 20.

### **Physical Development**

During our football lessons, we will be working with Class 2. We will build on our ball skills including kicking, passing and aiming the ball to hit a target.