

Welcome to Class 2 information

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here is some information about Class 2, if you have any questions please feel free to email me ecanning@harrowbarrow.cornwall.sch.uk

Water Bottles

Please can you make sure your child has a named water bottle in school daily.

PE

Your child will be doing PE on Wednesday and Thursday. Wednesday will be games in the playground but on **Thursday**, they will need to come to school dressed in their **PE kits**. Our school PE kit is blue/black shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a plain white T-shirt.

Book Bags

Please can your child bring their book bags in **daily**. Your children will be sent home with a book from our reading area to enjoy with you at home. These will be changed as and when your child has finished the book. Your child will also be continuing to bring home books from our read, write, inc program. At least one of these books need to be read daily with your children, including the red and green words at the front and back of the book. Your child will be familiar with the book as they would have been learning it in school prior to bringing it home. This is so they have the confidence to read at home and work on their fluency. These will be sent home at the end of this week or next week, as we need to finish each book in school before sending it home.

Homework

The following homework will be set in Class 2:

1. Reading as explained above daily.
2. Some work related to our topic may be sent home during holidays for the children to complete.
3. Number bond challenge - mentioned below in more detail.
4. Maths - Your child has access to times table Rockstar's and Numbots, I would like the children to be accessing these at home and I will be monitoring this in school.
5. Spellings will be sent home weekly on a Monday to be tested the following Monday. These will also be uploaded onto google classroom for you to access.

Here are some ideas of how you could practise these spellings at home:

- Look at the words, cover the words, write the words and then check if they have spelt them correctly.

- Write the letters on small pieces of paper, for the children to rearrange to make the words.
- Create rhymes to help the children remember tricky words e.g because - big Elephants can always understand small Elephants.
- Rainbow spellings, write the words in as many different colours as they can.
- Draw a shape or picture and fill the picture with as many of the words as you can.
- Create snap cards using the spelling to play at home.
- If you have a tablet or ipad there is a great app called scribbaloo paint that can be used to write the spellings.

In Class 2, we will also be doing a weekly maths challenge using their number bonds and then eventually their multiplication skills. Sheets for these will be sent home in their homework books. The number bond challenge will take place on a Tuesday afternoon, new sheets will be placed in their books every time they move onto the next set. In the boxes on the sheet you will see a symbol and a number that looks like this +3. Your child then needs to know the number that is added to this number to make the number they are working on. So for number bonds to 10 if you have a +3 then a 7 needs to be put in the box. All of these sheets can be found on the Class 2 website page.

Secret Student

Every day in Class 2 we select a child to be our secret student. Myself and the TA's in Class 2 watch this child very closely to make sure that they are following our school rules and working hard throughout the day. If the secret student has worked hard and followed all of our school rules we will send them home with a note. The children are unaware who we are watching and are very excited at the end of the day to find out who the secret student was.

Prize box

We have a special prize draw in Class 2. If your child has done something positive: worked hard, being a kind friend, helping in class etc. they will have a stamp added to their stamp charts. Once a side of their chart is filled they will be able to choose a prize from our Class 2 prize box.

Outdoor Learning

We are very lucky to be continuing to develop our outdoor learning space, we will be doing lots of outdoor learning activities on Monday and Tuesday. Please can you send in some waterproof clothing and wellington boots for your child that can be left in school. These will be used when it rains, as we will still continue to go outside in all weathers.

End of year expectations

Please see the end of year expectations that I have added to our Class website page. This will give you some indication of what your children will be learning and what they are expected to know at different stages throughout the year.

If you have any questions or queries about any of the above or anything else regarding this academic year, please feel free to email me.

Kind Regards

Mrs Kalarus