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Badger Class Newsletter Term 2 2023

(Tuesday 31st October- Tuesday 19th December)

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was lovely to meet those of you who could make it to Parents' Evening. This newsletter provides an overview of what we will do in class this term and confirms class routines and expectations. Please could you share this with your child? Thank you, Ms Tunstall x

Dear Badgers,

Welcome to Term 2! You all worked so hard last term and all those new rules that you learnt! (*What another one?! hee hee*). During Term 2 there is lots of exciting learning for you to enjoy. Here's what we will be doing:

Our class read:

This Term we are reading **George's Marvellous Medicine** by Roald Dahl. It follows the misadventures of a young boy called George who attempts to make his Grandma a nicer person by creating medicine. It is very funny!

Write Stuff:

We will also be basing our Write Stuff lessons on a book. It is called, **The Incredible Book Eating Boy** by Oliver Jeffers. *Henry loves books... but not like you and I. He loves to EAT books!* This exciting story follows the trials and tribulations of a boy with a voracious appetite for books. This will lead you to write your own narrative (story).

Maths:

We will be continuing with our **Addition and Subtraction** learning before focusing on **Multiplication and Division**. This term we will also get into the habit of starting and finishing most days with our Multiplication Booklets.

Science:

We will be working scientifically to learn about **Forces and Magnets**. This will involve: describing the effects of contact forces (pulls, pushes and twists); recognising and investigating the effects and uses of friction; describing and investigating the effects of magnets and explaining their uses.

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History:

We will be continuing our learning of **Ancient Britain**. This term we will focus on the Bronze and Iron Ages and look at how Britain changed throughout this period.

Art:

Mrs Beale will be teaching **Drawing** this term; identifying shapes; shading; tone and texture to help you draw more accurately. Artists such as Georgia O'Keeffe and Max Ernst will be studied. We will all enjoy Christmas Art Day this term also. We will work in our House Teams to make a Christmas display and create lots of Christmas-themed crafts.

RE:

We are continuing to study **Christianity**.

Computing:

Mrs Beale will be teaching our Computing lessons and looking at how to create media animation.

PE:

In PE you will be doing **Gymnastics** with Laura who is a PE specialist (Fridays) and playing **Dodgeball** with me (Thursdays).

Music: In Music, we will be learning how to play the **Glockenspiel**.

Jigsaw:

Celebrating Difference: this term's puzzle is all about accepting and celebrating the differences between us all.

French:

In French, our theme is **All About Me**. This includes classroom instructions, colours, parts of the body, clothes and actions.

NFERs

In week 2 we will be completing the Assessment Papers: Spelling; Punctuation and Grammar; Maths and Reading. This is nothing to worry about; they're used by me so that I can see what we need to concentrate on in our learning.

Trip to The Egg Theatre:

We have organised a trip for Years 3-6 to see **'Wendy - A Peter Pan Story'** at The Egg Theatre on Friday, 8th December. How exciting!

Badger Class Routines

- Each **Monday afternoon** I will be out of class for Planning, Preparation and Assessment (PPA) time. Mrs Beale will be taking you for Computing and Art.
- **Guided Reading:** each week I will hear you read in a group and check your reading records in order that I can praise and reward your home reading. You can change your reading book

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at any time during the school week. You are all doing so well in the quizzes, Mr Griffith and I are very proud of you all.

- **Spelling homework** will be given out on **Mondays** and must be returned on the following **Monday**. The most effective way of learning spellings (both individual words and general patterns and rules) is to rehearse/practise them each day for a few minutes. The activities are given to reinforce and embed the spellings once you have hopefully learnt them.
- As well as spellings, I would like you to continue to do **Doodle Maths and Doodle Tables** at home.
- **PE days are Thursday and Friday**: I am so impressed that you are all remembering to come to school in your PE kits on these days.
- **Things to bring to school:**
Book bags with your reading book, reading record and your homework book inside.
Water bottle and a piece of fruit for break time.
Wellies and wet weather coats. Wellies can be stored on our pegs outside for the Term.
Lunch, if you bring it from home.
Please note - Large bags and rucksacks: for Health and Safety reasons, Mr Griffiths has requested that these should **not** be brought into school.

I am really looking forward to teaching you again this term! In Badger Class it is important for us all to have fun, do our very best and be kind. Remember to let me know if you are feeling sad or worried about anything, we can always find a way to make things better.

Love from,
Ms. Tunstall.

Parents, for ease here is a [Link to school website with parent calendar at bottom of page](#)

Any queries or concerns, please catch me after school (except Mondays when Mrs Beale will be dismissing the class) or email me via the school office.

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