

Christ Church Walshaw Key Stage One

Autumn 2 Newsletter 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the second part of a very busy Autumn Term! Please see below some key information on our learning and some events that will be happening this half term.

Reminders:

- As the weather gets colder, it is important children wrap up each day. The children will need to come to school with a coat as even if it is sunny in the mornings the weather can be very unpredictable!
- **Reading books** to be brought into school on **Fridays**. Children will receive their new books each Friday. We do allocate Teaching Assistant time on Fridays to change books so it isn't always possible to change forgotten books on other days.
- Year 1 and Year 2 have had new spelling letters sent home before half term. Copies of these are on class pages. Spelling tests will be every **Friday**.

Nativity

Key Stage One are really looking forward to rehearsing our exciting Nativity: Lights, Camel, Action! We are going to have a morning performance on **Tuesday 11th December at 9:30am** and an afternoon performance on **Thursday 14th December at 2pm**. More details to follow.

Important Dates

- Tuesday 31st October – School re opens.
- Thursday 9th November – Flu vaccinations
- Monday 27th November – Home Learning Challenges are due in
- Tuesday 12th December - Nativity performance of Lights, Camel, Action 9:30am
- Wednesday 13th December – Jack and The Beanstalk Pantomime trip
- Thursday 14th December – Nativity performance of Lights, Camel, Action 2pm

Autumn 2- Curriculum Information

History We will be continuing to learn all about Queen Elizabeth and Queen Victoria with more of a focus now being on Queen Victoria. We will learn

about why she was so important and some key events that happened during her reign. We will then compare the lives of the two Queens and explore their similarities and differences.

English Our English work will be based around a lovely story called 'The Storm Whale'. We will be creating our own information texts and poems. After that, we will be reading a familiar story called 'The Snail and The Whale'. The children will develop their oral storytelling skills and letter writing.

Maths Year One: Positions, Numbers to 20, Addition and Subtraction within 20 and Shapes and Patterns.

Year Two: Multiplying and dividing by 2, 5 and 10, measuring in centimetres and metres and weighing objects in grams and kilograms.

Year 2 children will shortly be bringing home their log in details for TTRockstars which is a fantastic way to consolidate their multiplication and division facts.

R.E. This half term, children will be looking at how the 'Good News' of the Christmas story was shared in the Bible and how we continue to celebrate and spread the word of Jesus' birth today.

P.E. Hazel and Holly PE will continue to be on a Tuesday and Friday.

Science Year 1 - Seasonal Change Year 2 Feeding and Exercise.

PSHE This half term we will be looking at Valuing Differences.

Finally, please do not hesitate to contact any member of the team if you would like to discuss any issue regarding your child.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Hudson, Mrs Holt and Miss Founde