

# YEAR 2 AUTUMN 2

## CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER 2022

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"Happy together in God's family,  
we love, grow and learn."

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school. I hope you all had a restful break and are ready for an exciting half term. We have lots of exciting learning experiences planned for the children this half term and we will be very busy!

In the first two weeks of every half term, I aim to read with every child, please make sure their reading record is in their book bag to enable me to do this. Thank you.

In English this half term, we will be looking at traditional tales such as Jack and the Beanstalk. The children will continue to develop their prediction and inference skills by considering characters' behaviours and actions. By the end of the unit, the children will have planned and retold their own version of the story using carefully chosen language to add description and sentences using a variety of joining words. Throughout the half term we will focus on different aspects of grammar and punctuation. The children will be learning how the grammatical patterns in sentences indicate its function as a statement, question, exclamation or command. We will also be linking our English learning with our history learning as we will be writing a recount of the Great Fire of London.

We will continue to place a big focus on our daily phonics lessons to help support the children with their reading and spellings. Please continue to focus on the weekly spellings with your child as this links in to our weekly phonics and supports them significantly with their spellings.

In maths this half term, we will be looking at addition and subtraction. Throughout this unit the children will consolidate and extend their knowledge of number bonds to 10, 20 and 100 and will gain confidence in adding and subtracting across 10. We will continue to have a short session each week working on arithmetic skills and mental maths. Please continue to encourage your child to play on hit the button as this enables them to practice quick recall of number facts. I will continue to send home the mental maths focuses as and when it is necessary, please practise this concept with your child ready for their mental maths tests in school.

I am very excited about our Christmas production and you will be pleased to hear we have already started singing the songs and they are very catchy! KS1 can't wait to show off all their talents to their families and friends. If your child is given a speaking part in the production, please support them by practicing their lines at home.

Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Many thanks,  
Miss Roberts



### Important Days

#### **Monday**

- Reading books to be changed.  
Please bring reading folder.

#### **Tuesday**

Spelling test

#### **Thursday and Friday:**

PE lesson (come in PE kit)

### Important Dates

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November  
Whole school Mass

W/B 14<sup>th</sup> November  
Anti-Bullying Week

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
E safety parent meeting via  
zoom @9:15am

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November  
Year 2 SATS parents meeting  
via zoom @4pm

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November  
Woolly hat campaign launched

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November  
Family Mass @11am

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December  
Christmas Fair @2:30pm

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December  
Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December  
Pantomime @9:30am

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December  
Year 1 and Year 2 Advent  
workshop

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas Jumper day and  
Christmas Dinner Day

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December  
Donations for Refugee presents  
close

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December  
Key Stage 2 Carol Service led  
by Y5 @5pm

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas party day – party  
clothes

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December  
Whole School Mass led by Y4  
@9:30am

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
Carols in the hall

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
School closes

