

Autumn 2018 Newsletter

Year 1 and Year 2

A big **welcome** back to The Avenue Primary School. We look forward to creating a stimulating learning environment for our Year 1 and Year 2 children in this exciting term ahead.

Here's this year's team:
 Miss Anderson (Year 1)
 Mr Warriner (Year 1)
 Miss Burnett (Year 1/2)
 Miss Jackson (Year 2)

Our Teaching Assistants:
 Mrs Carden-Smith
 Mrs Zimmerman

Reading

We will continue with our Phonics lessons. Year 1 will be learning lots of new sounds and Year 2 will be looking at alternative ways of spelling different sounds in words. Children will take part in daily guided reading sessions with their teacher.

Writing

We will be exploring traditional tales such as Hansel & Gretel and writing our own Little Red Riding Hood diary, as well as writing poetry about changing trees in Autumn.

Maths

As mathematicians we will become more fluent with our addition and subtraction skills and understanding the place value of numbers.

Topic: Enchanted Woodland

This term is all about magical woodland worlds, much-loved traditional tales and fascinating creatures.

Science: As budding scientists we are exploring living things and their habitats as well as learning about different food chains.

Geography: We will be using our geographical skills to track seasonal changes, create maps of our local area and know how to use simple compass directions.

Dates

Y2 school trip to Saltholme: Tue 11th Sept

Children may wear comfortable trousers and shoes / trainers.

KS1 Open Afternoon: Wed 12th Sept, 1:30pm

A chance to meet your child's new teacher and introduction to our topic. We will be doing woodland activities on the field (weather permitting!)

Roald Dahl Day: Thurs 13th Sept

Dress up as your favourite Roald Dahl character! No superhero costumes please.

Y1 school trip to Saltholme: Tue 18th Sept

Children may wear comfortable trousers and shoes / trainers.

Y1 Phonics meeting: Thu 20th Sept, 3:15pm Miss Anderson's classroom

Whole School Photographs: 24th Sept

KS1/EYFS Harvest Festival: Wed 3 Oct, 10am

Main School Hall. Parents welcome

Parents evenings: Mon 8th, Tue 9th, Thurs 11th Oct

Halloween Disco and break up: Fri 26th Oct

Last day of term: Fri 26th Oct

Homework

We will give children homework every **Thursday** and they need to return it by **Tuesday**. There is also a choice of Project Homework. If your child has a sibling in school and they contribute to their homework this is counted as 1 piece.

Spelling test

Spelling tests will be on a **Wednesday** (the day after children hand their homework in).

Reading at home

Enjoy reading with your child at least **4 times** per week. This can be their school reading book or books of choice at home. Please record each time your child reads at home.

PE

Mon: Miss Anderson's class

Wed: Miss Jackson & Miss Burnett's classes.

Packed lunches

Packed lunches should be well balanced with a mixture of savoury and sweet. Packets of sweets or fizzy drinks should not be included as part of a packed lunch. As we have a number of children with peanut allergies no packed lunches should contain nuts, peanut butter sandwiches or Nutella sandwiches.

Bikes and scooters

For health and safety reasons while inside the school site please can children push scooters and bikes.