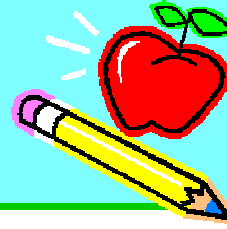


# BACK TO SCHOOL!



St Peter's  
Primary School  
Term 3  
Class 2

## Class 2 Newsletter

### Exciting Start!

We are now back into the swing of things and have been busy designing and making cars for Ted, creating electrical circuits and reading and discussing different versions of Little Red Riding Hood to name but a few of the exciting learning that we have been doing so far this term.

### Miss Brookbank

We are lucky to have Victoria Brookbank with us this term. Miss Brookbank is a third year trainee teacher from University of West England (UWE) and is on her final placement. She will be with us for the next seven weeks and will be initially teaching the class for fifty percent of the timetable leading to eighty percent.

### Topic

Our Topic this term is Electricity. We have been creating simple circuits and have just started researching famous inventors such as Michael Faraday and Thomas Edison. We will use this information to create an electronic book about inventors.



### Literacy

In Literacy this term so far we have been reading traditional stories. We have focused on Little Red Riding Hood, reading and discussing different versions and will be writing our own alternative multimodal versions on the computer.

During the final two weeks we will be undertaking a unit of work entitled 'Really Looking'. Here the focus will be reading and writing poetry based around looking closely at nature.

### Numeracy

In Numeracy this term we will cover a range of topics including solving and presenting solutions to puzzles and problems; reading and writing two and three digit numbers; describe and extending number sequences; ordering two-digit numbers and positioning them on a number line; using the greater than (>) and less than (<) signs; estimating a number of objects; rounding two-digit numbers; **adding or subtracting mentally a one-digit number or a multiple of 10 to or from any two-digit number**; understanding that subtraction is the inverse of addition and vice versa; solving problems involving addition, subtraction, multiplication or division. Deriving and recalling multiplication facts for the 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times-tables and the related division facts.

### Physical Education

In PE we will be rolling for accuracy in Games, taking weight on different parts of our body in Gymnastics and exploring different pathways in Dance where the theme will be Mischief and Magic.

## DT

Our DT topic this term is Winding Up. As part of this topic the children will be introduced to the concept of winding mechanisms, building on previous knowledge of wheels and axles. The children explore how to make winding mechanisms using construction kits, then, after discussion, make their own toy using a winding mechanism out of reclaimed materials.

## PSHE

The theme for PSHE this term will be 'Going for Goals' where children will set goals and consider what steps are needed to be taken before the goal is achieved. They will also think about their own learning and different learning styles.

## Religious Education

In RE we will be learning about important religious books and will be reading stories from the Bible, Torah, Qu'an and the Guru Granth Sahib.

## Homework and Spellings

This term homework will be handed out on a Friday and returned on the following Wednesday unless otherwise stated.

Spellings will be handed out on Friday and will be tested the following Friday.

Children will be encouraged to read for at least ten minutes every evening. This could be by themselves or with an adult. I would also like to ask parents to listen to their child read as much as possible and write any comments into their Reading Journal.

## Science

Our Science topics this term will link closely with our main topic 'Electricity' where we will be creating electrical circuits and thinking about how to use electricity safely. We will also learn about light and sound.

## Class Assembly

Our Class 2 Assembly will take place on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> of February where we will be sharing some of our learning so far this term.

## Bottles and boxes

We will be making torches as part of our topic using pop bottles. Could you please collect small pop bottles and bring them into school.

We will be making moving toys later this term so please save any shoe box size boxes for this and send them into school. Thank you.

## Daily Reminders

Monday

Tuesday

P.E. today, remember kit!

Wednesday

P.E. today, remember kit!

Hand in Homework.

Thursday

Friday

Spelling Test

New spellings and homework handed out.

P.E. today, remember kit!

## Questions or Queries

If you have any questions or queries don't hesitate to contact me for an informal chat or to arrange an appointment.

Well, once again, I look forward to another action packed and fun filled term with Class 2.

Paul Truan