



"All Learning Together"

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Class 2 Curriculum Letter Autumn Term 2018

Dear Parents,

Firstly, I would like to say 'Welcome Back!' to the Langton children who I know from last year and extend a special welcome to the 7 new families and children joining our Class and Langton Primary. I hope everyone has had a relaxing summer and feeling ready for our exciting term!

I am delighted to be starting my second year at Langton knowing that I will be here on a more permanent basis, having covered maternity leave last academic year. I am also happy to inform you all that Mrs Cummings (or Mrs C as the children call her) will be offering her support to Class 2, particularly with the Year 2 children. Mrs Jackson will also be remaining with us during the mornings as Class 2 Teaching Assistant.

English

Our first fiction topic this term will be 'Stories with a Familiar Setting,' and following on from our Roald Dahl theme week, we will be using 'George's Marvellous Medicine' as our focus text for the unit. The children will be using a range of literary strategies such as alliteration, adjectives and rhyme to improve and create a medicine list, before writing their own version of the story entitled '[name]'s Magnificent Medicine'. Our Poetry topic will be 'Performance Poetry' and will have an Autumn theme in preparation for our Harvest Festival, and the children will be writing their own poems to perform in preparation for our Harvest celebration. For non-fiction, we will be learning about features of instructions, with a focus on recipes in order to keep with our topic theme of 'Food, Festivals and Farming.'

Children will continue to cover Spelling, punctuation, grammar and phonics (where applicable) in discrete lessons. **Spelling tests will be on a Friday.**

Maths

We will begin this half term with a focus on consolidating the foundations of number and place value. Once secure, we will move on to both mental and written methods of addition and subtraction, including carrying and borrowing. We will apply these skills when working with measures, adding, ordering and comparing lengths. Throughout this term we will be focusing on learning times tables, beginning by securing 3, 4 and 8 times tables for Year 3 and 4 and 2, 5 and 10 times tables for Year 2. As we move through the next half term we will apply our understanding of times tables to calculate

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written multiplication and division problems. Throughout the term we will be applying our understanding in these areas to reasoning and problem-solving questions in all mathematical areas.

Science

Science will be taught to Class 2 on Monday afternoons by Mrs. Huntriss during the second half of this term. The children will study the Chemistry based topic of 'States of Matter.' They will focus on grouping materials based on whether they are a solid, liquid or gas; observe how materials change when heated or cooled and identify evaporation and condensation in the water cycle.

Topic

Our topic for the whole of this term will be 'Food, Festivals and Farming'. The children will gain an understanding of the importance of food in our bodies as well as the names of different food groups which make up a healthy, balanced diet. They will learn about the different foods that come from different plant parts and focus on the role farmers play in providing us with food to eat. They will learn about the meaning of and importance of Fair Trade and learn about how far food can travel from farm to fork and the processes involved.

Miss Auckland

For the first half of this term, Miss Auckland will teach the children on a Wednesday afternoon, covering the topics of RE, PSHE and Music. In **RE** the topic will be Values. The children will explore their own personal values as well as learn about some religious values. In **PSHE** the topic is transition, focusing on moving through school and other changes. In **Music**, the children will be exploring descriptive sounds, thinking about how animals are described using music and movement.

Homework - Children will receive homework on a Friday and it should be brought back into school on a Wednesday, unless it is a whole school Topic homework, which children have 2 weeks to complete.

PE will be on Mondays and Thursdays. Please make sure children have their kit in school on these days.

Year 2 children will have access to the outdoor areas on Monday and Friday afternoons in order to maintain access to regular outdoor learning. As part of forest school learning, Mrs C will be covering some gardening and nature topics on a Monday afternoon with these children. We request that Year 2 children bring a pair of wellies or old trainers to school on Mondays (these can be left in their locker if necessary).

I look forward to working with you over the course of the Year and if you have anything you would like to discuss, please feel free to come see me.

Kind Regards

Miss R. Boyle