



Year 1/2 Newsletter

Burton Joyce Primary School

Autumn 1

Welcome back!

We hope you have all had a wonderful summer. Welcome back to our Year 2s and we would like to give a warm welcome to our Year 1s. We are very excited about the year ahead. Here is an outline of what your child will be learning during their first half term. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to ask. We want to make sure that the transition into their new year groups is a smooth and happy one for everyone. We look forward to speaking with you on the 'Meet the Teacher' evening, Tuesday 21st September.

We would like to welcome Mrs Jepson to our KS1 team, she will be working as a job share with Mrs Hamblett.

During our topic this term we will be investigating the question 'What is interesting about Burton Joyce?' We will be introducing this topic by looking at where Burton Joyce is in the world. The local study will look specifically at the railway and the river and we will be distinguishing between the human and physical features. This topic will involve a walk around the village in September and we are looking for volunteers to help, please speak to your child's class teacher if you are able to join us.

English –During the first 2 weeks we will be looking at familiar traditional stories. The children will be rewriting them making them individual. We will be looking at some river and train fictional stories and the children will be using their imaginations to write about their own adventures.

Maths – We will be looking at place value of numbers and applying this knowledge and understanding to a variety of addition calculations.

Science - Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses.

Computing – We will begin the term by refreshing our E-safety knowledge and then work with the iPad to develop our photography skills by learning how to frame a shot, crop images and simple editing techniques.

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Reminder 1

Please remember to send your child with a labelled waterbottle.

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Reminder 2

Please **label all items of clothing** clearly so we can return misplaced items to your child.

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Reminder 3

PE will be on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Reminder 4

Children need to bring reading diaries daily so they can access their usernames and log ins.

Art – We will be studying the work of John Constable and looking at how he developed his landscape paintings. We will then be developing our own sketching skills and applying a range of techniques to create our own landscape sketches of Burton Joyce.

PSHE – Being me in the World. We are looking at our hopes and fears, rights and responsibilities, and rewards and consequences.

P.E. –We will be focusing on developing hand eye coordination to send an object with increasing confidence with hand or bat. We will apply this to games using basic serving skills.

Music – Chinese Zither music. We will be composing using a range of scales and thinking about elements of tempo and texture of timbre.

RE. Jesus' friends and followers. Pupils will have opportunities to develop their skills by exploring, in a variety of ways, friendship as well as helping, respecting and valuing others. Pupils will investigate relationships, exploring such aspects as trustworthiness, caring, discrimination and being friendly.

Homework – Children will bring home a copy of the homework for this half term on Friday 10th September, a copy will also be posted on TEAMS. (Login in details for this can be found in the back of Reading Diaries.) Stars will be earned for each piece of work completed and children are challenged to collect at least 20 stars over the half term. Some tasks will be individual tasks (white boxes) and others are set as weekly tasks (in grey boxes). We ask that children keep their homework at home until the week beginning the 18th October. During this week the children will be given the opportunity to celebrate and share their work with the rest of the class.

Spellings are sent out weekly, to rehearse the phonics they are learning in school. We continue to advise daily reading, this is crucial in ensuring that the children develop the skills to apply phonics in their reading. Books will be sent home by Friday 10th September, which match the children's phonic learning and some will also be sent home with additional books to rehearse phonemes which they are struggling to apply. All of these books are determined by the results of different weekly and half termly assessments.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask.

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Reminder 5

Please ensure your child brings their reading folder, book and Reading Record daily.

Dates to remember:

Dot Day 15th
September
Walk around the
Village 29th
September (am)
Xmas Cards to be
returned to school
4th October
Harvest 7th October

Thank you

The KS1 Team