

Autumn Newsletter Year 2

Welcome to Year 2!

Below you will find some useful information as we begin our year together.



Curriculum

Our theme for this half term is **Healthy Living**.

Subjects taught weekly	
Maths	Number and Place Value
English	Claude in the City
Science	Living Things
PE	Games – Key Skills
RE	Judaism: Believing
PSHE	Being me in my world
Music	Hands Feet Heart
Subjects taught within our topic lessons	
Design	Healthy Snacks
Computing	Creating Pictures
Art	Painting
History	Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale

Staff

2P	2B
Miss Pettifor (teacher) Mrs Klotz (TA) Miss Woodstock (1to1)	Mrs Bowen (teacher) Miss Hayes (TA) Mrs Lawal (1to1) Mrs Martins (1to1)
Mrs Eaton & Mr Andrews will teach both classes on Tuesday afternoons.	

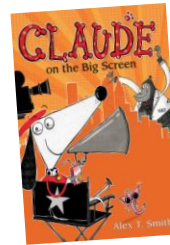
Encouraging Good Behaviour

At St. Matthew's we always take a positive approach to behaviour management and encourage the children to be responsible, conscientious learners. Pupils earn Dojo points for excellent behaviour and effort. If they have the most points at the end of the week then they will receive a special sticker. Children will also receive stickers for academic achievements which contribute to the Going for Gold scheme. Throughout the year they will work towards their bronze, silver and gold awards which they will receive in assemblies. Every Friday one child is also chosen as the Star of the Week and will bring home a certificate as a reward.

Rules

The school rules are as follows:

1. We are kind and respectful.
2. We follow instructions.
3. We keep our hands and feet to ourselves.



We use a behaviour chart to encourage pupils to follow the rules. Everyone begins the week with their names on the sunshine part of the chart. If a child breaks the rules after being reminded, they move their name to the cloud. All pupils begin each new day back on the sunshine.

Homework

Homework will be posted on ClassDojo each Monday, beginning on the 16th September. Our homework tasks will be discussions for you to have together, or simple activities to do that relate to the learning we will be doing in school. The children will have opportunities to share their ideas with the rest of the class during the week.

Reading

Your child will be read with in class on a regular basis. Please continue to read with your child at home, daily if possible. If they bring home the same book multiple times, please reread it. When you have read with your child, please ensure that you write in their reading record book.

PE Kits & Uniform

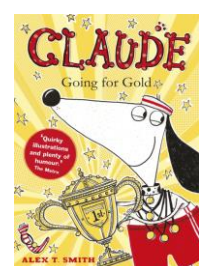
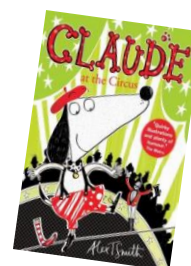
Children in Year 2 need to wear PE Kit on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure this follows the school's uniform policy. They should wear trainers, blue jogging bottoms or shorts, a plain white t-shirt and a blue jumper. All clothes worn to school must be named.

Library

Year 2 will visit the school library every Tuesday. Please return library books each week so the children can choose a new one to bring home.

Dates for your Diary

- Reports sent home – 19th October
- Parents Evening – Week commencing 21st October
- Last day of school – 24th October
- Harvest Celebration – 22nd October 2pm



Red Words

Each half term the children will have a new set of red words that we would like you to practice reading and spelling with them at home. The children's' spelling of these words will be tested at the end of this half term and we will feed back their progress.

This term they are learning: great, break, steak, because, again, even, people, find, mind, wild, child, children, climb, old, cold, hold, gold, fold, told, most, only, clothes, both, hello.