



Autumn 1 Extraordinary Earth!



Dear Parents/ Carers,

We would like to say a huge welcome to all of our new Year 2 children! We hope you have all had a lovely Summer break. We are very excited about the new school year and we can't wait to start learning about our great new topics! Please take this opportunity to have a browse over our curriculum overview for the new half term. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher for more information.

Miss Hooson (Elm Class) & Miss Ward (Birch Class)

In reading we will be learning how to pronounce sounds in unfamiliar words and develop our fluency. We will also be learning how to ask and answer questions about a text using lots of skills like predicting the plots and finding facts in non-fiction.

In writing we will be learning how to class words such as verbs and adjectives. We will also learn how to write detailed sentences within stories and learn the features and layout of a formal letter.

In mathematics we will be focusing on place value and learning how to set out our work correctly to develop our written methods for adding and subtracting.

In science we will be learning about animal life cycles and habitats. We will notice that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults. We will find out about and describe the basic needs of animals, for survival. We will describe the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.

In computing we will be learning how to communicate safely and respectfully online whilst understanding risks online threats that we can experience online. We will also learn about social media and age appropriate age rules for all sites and how to make ourselves safe.

In PSHE we will be learning to understand the difference between right and wrong and how to understand the need for rules in the classroom. We will learn why rules help us. We will also be playing speaking and listening games to learn the importance of these skills.

In Geography we will be developing our knowledge about the world including its continents and oceans, using maps and globes and investigating why oceans, plants, rivers and bees are so important.

In RE we will be learning about Christianity and the Church. We will be asking important questions such as: How and why is celebrating and remembering important in religion and worship?

In PE we will be developing personal and interpersonal skills by taking on leadership roles and learning how to take initiative. We will also learn how to master basic movements including: running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and co-ordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities.

Please NB*

- Full school uniform is expected of all children every day. This includes their 'Always' badge. Please see the school website for a full list of uniform or speak to a member of staff if you are unsure.
- P.E will take place on Monday and Tuesday this half term. Please send your child to school with their full kit on these days.
- We expect the children to be reading at home at least 3 times a week! The children who do this show consistent progress and in most cases move up multiple book bands.
- The children have individual accounts for 'Read Theory' which develops excellent reading skills. Please see the website for more details.
- Spellings and homework will be sent out on the first Friday of the half term and are expected back in for the final week of term.

Thank you for your support.