



St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Primary School

Class 2 Newsletter

Terms 5 & 6 2023



Welcome Back!

I hope you enjoyed the Easter break. We had an incredibly exciting end to Term 4 with the arrival of our four chicks - Sugar, Cookie, Sweetie and Marshmallow. They have all settled in well to their new home with Miss Claringbould's mum. I will provide updates to the children about their progress.

On behalf of all the adults in Class 2, I would like to thank you for your continued support.

Miss Fordham

New Learning

Throughout Terms 5 and 6, we will be starting some exciting new topics. We are going to be exploring Australia as part of our Geography topic. We will be investigating and comparing their climate, culture and animals to ours in England.

In Science, we will be observing and describing how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants and identifying what a plant needs to grow and stay healthy. Our trip to Mr Castle's allotment will give us first-hand experience at dealing with plants. In addition, we will also spend some time outside investigating living things and their habitats.

Can you help?

Now that the weather has warmed up, we are looking forward to developing our Year 2 outdoor area into a learning garden. Can you donate any of the following items to help us grow some of our own plants?

- Herbs, tomato plants, strawberry plants for our sensory garden.
- Any plants or bulbs you think could brighten our outside area up.
- Any kind of wooden crates or planks of woods for storage of the new plants.



Key Stage 1 Assessments

During May, the children will be taking part in their end of Key Stage assessments. These are statutory tests however there is no pressure put on the children. These tests are for the children to showcase their achievements in reading and maths as well as in spelling, punctuation and grammar. They will be administered in small groups, or individually, to ensure that your child is supported and has the best chance at being successful. We have prepared the children over the past few weeks through practice questions and lots of revision! We will then assess their progress based on all of their schoolwork this year, along with their results from these tests. You will receive a copy of your child's results along with their report in July.

If you have any questions, or concerns then please feel free to ask.

Just a few things to remember...

- PE will remain on a Tuesday and Thursday. The children will need to have plimsolls as part of their PE kit. Please ensure that earrings are removed for these days.
- Please ensure all your child's uniform and belongings are labelled with their name. It makes it much easier for us to identify who it belongs to!
- We will continue to do tuck shop on a Friday where the children can bring in some change (up to £1) to buy a healthy snack.