



Kildwick CE VC Primary School

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Dear Parents,

I would firstly like to take this opportunity to welcome you back to Class One. I hope you have all had a lovely summer and that the children are excited to be back in school.

Staff in Class One – I will be supported this year by Mrs Stoney who is a very experienced Teaching Assistant, joining us from Glusburn School and Mrs Smith who worked in Class Five last year. Mrs Stoney will be with us full time and Mrs Smith will work every morning and a Wednesday afternoon. On a Wednesday afternoon the Class will be taught by Miss Bell and on a Thursday afternoon the class will be taught by Mr Whitehead. This is to enable me to carry out my role as Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator.

Reading Books – Reading books will be changed on a Monday and a Thursday. We will be assessing children over the next two weeks before issuing reading books. On **Tuesday 3rd October at 6pm** there will be a whole school reading information event in the hall this will assist you in supporting your children in reading at home and outline some of the changes we are making to reading in school.

PE – PE will be on a Thursday. All children should have a PE kit in school all the time. Please ensure that all items of PE and uniform are labelled.

Snacks – Children will have access to school snacks in a morning. They can bring in their own fruit for snack and a water bottle. A reminder that snack should just be fruit. We are a nut free school as we have two children in school with nut allergies. **Please do not allow children to bring anything into school containing nuts.**

Homework – Children will be given a homework book and a sheet with simple tasks which they can choose to do each week, if they so wish. This is in no way compulsory if children decide to do some 'work' at home they can bring it in to show us and their friends in school! Children will also be given spellings to learn for a small test each week.

School Trip – I am very excited about our first school trip of the year! On **Wednesday 18th October** Class One and Two will be going to see 'The Tiger Who Came to Tea' at Kings Hall, Ilkley. This trip will take place within school hours and further information will follow in a letter sent home.

Parent Consultation Evening – We will hold parent consultation evenings the week before half term. To give you advanced warning the dates of these meetings are: **16th & 18th October 2017**. A letter will be sent home for you to book a time to see me on these dates. However, please do not wait until then to catch up with me about any queries, concerns or comments you have about how your child is doing. I am always available!

EYFS and KS 1 School Nativity – It seems very early to be thinking about Christmas. However, we are mindful that your child's nativity is a very important event for you, them and us! As such I wanted to give you the dates as far in advance as possible. We have booked the church for the Nativity on the **14th December**. There will be an **afternoon performance at 2pm and an evening performance at 6pm**.

I look forward to working with you and your children and I'm sure we'll have a great year.

Miss Akrigg

Below is an outline of the work to be covered over the next half term (Autumn 1 2017) in Year 1

Subject	Topics
English	Literacy will be based on our Topic work about our country. Children will write in a variety of genres including some instruction writing, information writing, lists, postcards and letters. Children will have a discreet Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar session each week and this half term they will focus on capital letters and full stops. Phonic sessions will restart in the second week back and children will be working on phase 2 and three phonics. Children will work on their handwriting at the start of each Literacy session.
Maths	In Maths children will work on Place Value and Addition and Subtraction. <i>Place Value</i> will include: Count to twenty, forwards and backwards, beginning with 0 or 1, or from any given number. Count, read and write numbers to 10 in numerals and words. Identify and represent numbers using objects and pictorial representations including the number line, and use the language of: equal to, more than, less than (fewer), most, least. Given a number, identify one more or one less. Count in multiples of twos. <i>Addition and Subtraction</i> will include: Represent and use number bonds to 10. Add and subtract one digit numbers (to 10). Read, write and interpret mathematical statements involving addition (+), subtraction (-) and equals (=) signs. Solve one step problems that involve addition and subtraction.
Science	Science will be taught by Miss Bell this half term. Children will think about the four seasons, with a particular focus on Autumn and Winter. Children will learn what the word weather means and find out how different types of weather can be measured. Children will use a class weather station to observe, measure and record the weather across the seasons. They will also observe changes across the seasons by exploring the signs of autumn and winter through nature and wildlife. Learning activities will include observation, discussion and learning outside. Children also work scientifically by collecting, recording and interpreting simple data.
Topic	Children will learn about the countries of the UK developing learning beyond children's immediate environment and own locality to the UK in general. Children will explore the UK by looking at individual countries, capital cities, human and physical features along with comparing and contrasting the capital cities of London and Brasilia in detail.
Art / DT	Children will learn about working with fabric. It starts with children evaluating a range of existing bunting with a theme around counting. Children are then set a design criteria which will be around the Union Jack in line with Topic. They will learn how to use a graphics program to create a design and template for their bunting. Working with felt, children will cut out a bunting shape and use a simple running stitch. Children will be given the chance to explore different fabrics that they could use to enhance their designs. Using techniques such as sewing, stapling and gluing, children will decorate their felt flag. Finally, children will evaluate their product.
Music	Miss Bell will teach Music this half term. The children will learn about Rap Music including composing their own rap!
P.E.	PE will be on a Thursday and children will work on 'Ball Skills'. PE will be taught by 'Coach Dave' this year.
R.E.	In RE children will think about how the world was created. They will consider the following questions; What creation can you see when you go outside? Who is the creator? What does the story tell us about what God is like? How can we explore the creation story in different ways? Who made the world?
P.S.H.C.E.	In PSHCE children will think about 'Getting to know each other' They will think about; Rights and responsibilities; Rules of the Class; Creating a community; Joining a new group; Feeling welcome and welcoming others; Belonging; Gifts and Talents
ICT	Mr Whitehead will teach year one computing this half term. The children will work on: Collecting, using, manipulating, presenting and interpreting data.