



Wrens' Class Newsletter - Autumn Term 2025

Welcome back Wrens! We hope you all had a great Summer break!

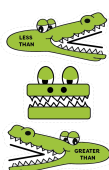
We are looking forward to working with your children! Their learning and happiness is at the heart of all we do. Mrs Negus will be teaching Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Miss Humphreys will be teaching Thursday and Friday. Mrs Clarke supports the class everyday. We are a close team and we are all in contact with each other throughout the week, to enable continuity of care for your children.

Curriculum News

This year we will have a geography topic for the first half of each term and a history topic for the second half. We begin Autumn 1 with 'What does travel look like?' as we explore the continents and oceans of the world. After half term, our history topic will focus on 'Significant people from the past', such as Rosa Parks and Edith Cavell, and the ways in which they helped to make the world a better place. Our Science topics will be 'Everyday materials' to begin with and 'Living things and habitats' after half term. We will have some great and engaging art and DT units, plus music, computing, RE and PSHE lessons across the term.

In **English**, we will be continuing this year with our 'Write Stuff' units. Our first unit is 'Wombat goes Walkabout' and after half term it will be 'Little Red Riding Hood'. During the year, the children will be developing their writing skills throughout the different units and exploring different styles of writing. (Narrative/story writing to begin with). We will have a strong focus on structuring sentences and exploring a variety of vocabulary, with specific grammar lessons and 'sentence stacking' lessons throughout the week. The children will also use their phonics skills and apply their knowledge of their sounds to their writing. We will be continuing with **Monster Phonics** and books will be sent home with the children each week, to reinforce the sounds and words they are learning in school. Using the Monster Phonics books, the children will be heard reading in a group twice a week. They will also bring home a reading scheme book. Please do use the new folders to keep reading books/reading records/phonics sounds and resources together. Please make sure these are in school each day. Reading scheme books can be changed as and when needed. Year 2 children will shortly be given a Nessy account to use at home and in school to support their learning.

In **Maths**, both year groups will start by exploring **place value** and **shape**. We will begin with learning about numbers up to 20, comparing numbers using greater than, less than and equal to, and counting forwards and backwards. As the term progresses, we will learn to represent numbers up to 100, order and compare numbers up to 100 and count in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s. In shape, the children will be revisiting the shapes they already know and be developing their knowledge and understanding of their properties and extending their mathematical vocabulary in regards to shape. We will also look at lines of symmetry and explore drawing our own shapes. During the second half term, the children will all move on to **adding and subtracting**, using addition and subtraction symbols to write their own number sentences and learning number



bonds. We will learn to apply these skills to solve problems. Year 2 children will shortly be given a Times Tables Rockstars account to access at home and in school.

PE and Forest School

PE is on Wednesdays with Mrs Goymour and Mrs Clarke for all Wrens. (Mrs Negus' PPA time).

This half term they will look at 'Fundamentals' and next half term will be 'Gymnastics'. Please make sure PE kits are in school each week and that kit is clearly named. Hair will need to be tied back on PE days please. Don't forget water bottles, too!

Mrs Goymour and Mrs Clarke will also be teaching in Wrens every other Thursday afternoon (Miss Humphreys' PPA time) and be covering PSHE - **Being Me** and music this half term and after half term RE - **Special Books**.

Forest School Fridays!

For the first half term, Year 2s will be going out for lessons. Year 1s will then be taking part in the second half of the term. Please make sure that your child always comes in with the appropriate clothing on Fridays for Forest School.



As Autumn weather approaches

Please provide your child with a waterproof coat and named wellies so we can continue to enjoy outdoor areas without getting too soggy! Please continue to send your child in with a named water bottle which they can access/refill in class throughout the day as needed. Please also make sure your child has spare clothing if they require it in their bags, including socks.



Homework

The number one best thing you can do for your child at home is to spend some time each day listening to them read. Please do try to make this part of your daily routine- it will make a real difference! Please fill in their reading record books with a little comment, so we know how they're getting on as we will be checking their reading records every week and awarding Dojo points.

Our homework project for the first half of term will be coming home soon.

EXTRA REMINDER - Please remember to NAME all your child's clothing for school and water bottles. We also encourage you not to allow your children to bring in any toys from home, as these can prove a distraction and can get damaged/lost.

We are here to help...

There can be times in a child's life when personal circumstances may affect his/her learning or behaviour in school. Please be reassured that if the need arises, you may contact us on our teaching days. The best way to do this is via Class Dojo. We have an exciting year ahead and we know the Wrens are going to work incredibly hard and produce some outstanding work!

Mrs Negus, Miss Humphreys and Mrs Clarke

