

Happy New Year

We hope you enjoyed Christmas and wish you all a very Happy New Year. I am writing this newsletter to thank you for the support given last term, inform you of some of the topics your child/children will be studying this Spring Term and refresh your information on the classroom procedures.

Autumn term was very positive with the children settling in extremely well and I am very much looking forward to this Spring Term. If you have any questions, please email me at sue.rook@corvedaleprimary.co.uk or phone school.



What to Wear and Bring:

The forecast is for the weather to get colder so please make sure that children have a warm coat to wear over their school uniform. If it is colder your child might also want to wear a vest/t-shirt underneath to keep warm.

Everyday your child needs to come to school with:

- a jumper or cardigan
- a coat
- a named water bottle
- packed lunch (if not having free dinners)

As for the Autumn Term please also send in a named PE kit to leave at school. In class 1 we encourage children not to bring toys or pencil cases into school as they can become very distressed if they are lost or broken accidentally. Thank you. However on a Friday we have the very popular Show and Tell. If your child does have something special they would like to share please send it in then or send in an email for the afternoon and the children can share with the class.



Morning Routine and Classroom:

As for last term when the children arrive at school, they will separate from their parent at the school field gate and then walk to the outside classroom door where they will be welcomed into the class. New Reception children may be walked to the gate or door by their parent to help them to settle in. The children will put their coat and bags on their named pegs in the smaller room. Each morning there will be a morning activities set out for the children and then they choose what they wish to play with and join their friends. Because of the changes in class structure Year 2 children

will go to Class 2 at 9am for their targeted Maths Lesson with Mrs Condra. Reception and Year 1 will remain in Class 1. During the day the children will move around the class freely, joining activities, learning in differing groups, practicing skills and playing.

Learning:

This Half Term our theme is Space. This is a very exciting topic that links well with all areas of the curriculum. Our main focus areas are Geography and Science and we will be exploring seasonal change and the Earth from space. We will also be exploring looking at space adventure, the planets, astronauts and using our imagination to create aliens. We will also be making some rockets choosing the materials we will use.



We will continue with our phonics teaching (all children are making very good progress) and children will continue to be given phonics books based on their phonics learning. Please pop their books back into the children's bags every day as we will get them out and check who has read and change the books when needed. Year 2 will continue to receive their phonics learning and homework from MRs Condra. We will also continue to develop fine motor and handwriting skills.



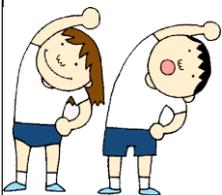
Year 1 and Reception will be continuing their mastery maths studying in Class 1. We will be learning Number Subitising, Addition and Subtraction and shape and space along with our recognition of coins. I will be sending home some Maths Homework based on Money for Year 1. Year 2 will continue their maths with in with Mrs Condra.

In each area of the curriculum there will be a strong focus towards vocabulary and skills for progression.



Physical Activities

PE lessons will continue on Wednesday and Friday each week and will be held outside (weather permitting). Wednesday's lesson will be led by Mrs Dillon and Mr Croton (Jack) will lead the Friday sessions. Please make sure your child has their name on their as items are sometimes mislaid during changing times.



This term we will not begin Forest School until after Half Term We will inform you and send out information when these begin. Tuesday afternoons Year 2 will be learning Art with Mr Brough and RE with Mrs Condra on these afternoons.

Class 1 Typical Timetable

Children in at 8.45am	8.45-9.00	9.00-9.45	9.45-10.30	10.30-11.15	11.15-12.00	12.00-1.00	1.00-1.45	1.45-2.30	2.30-3.15
	Registration and Morning activities	Session 1 Maths	Assembly Break	Session 2 Language	Session 3 English	Lunch	Session 4	Session 6	Session 7
Monday	R/Y1/Y2	R/Y1 (Y2 go to Class 2)		R/Y1 (Y2 go to Class 2)	R/Y1/Y2		R/Y1/Y2 Topic/Science/other subjects		
Tuesday	R/Y1/Y2	R/Y1 (Y2 go to Class 2)		R/Y1 (Y2 go to Class 2)	R/Y1/Y2		R/Y1 Forest School		
Wednesday	R/Y1/Y2	Wake Up Sing Up		Class 1 Music	Language R/Y1/Y2 All in Class 1		English R/Y1/Y2	PE R/Y1/Y2	BREAK R/Y1/Y2 Topic
Thursday	R/Y1/Y2	R/Y1 (Y2 go to Class 2)		R/Y1 (Y2 go to Class 2)	R/Y1/Y2		R/Y1/Y2 Topic		R/Y1 Child Initiated Y2 (targeted extension tasks)
Friday	R/Y1/Y2	R/Y1 (Y2 go to Class 2)	Class 1 R/Y1/Y2 PE		Language R/Y1 (Y2 go to Class 2)		Computing AS R/Y1/Y2	R/Y1/Y2 PSHE/Show and Tell	Assembly



Thank you for taking the time to read all this information. As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns at any time.

Susan Rook