Dovedale Primary School

Welcome back—Autumn 2023

Please read on for more information about what to look forward to this term and how you can support your child.

What's happening this term?

Maths

We will continue with the new maths mastery approach, that was adopted last year, increasing children's confidence and fluency in all areas of maths. This term we hope to have covered—in depth—the following areas of maths learning:

Autumn 1	Numbers 10 to 100 and calculations within 20
Autumn 2	Fluently add and subtract within 10 Addition and subtraction of two-digit numbers

The new maths homework platform is called Sumdog. Teachers will set homework weekly, linked to the learning in class.

Parents can download the APP.



Reading

In school, children will participate in daily phonic lessons. They will bring home two books closely matched to the sounds they have been exposed to in class. Just a few minutes reading with your child each day makes a huge difference! Please ensure your child has their reading book in school on a Thursday so we can get it ready to go out again on Friday.

Writing

Two texts will provide the stimulus for writing in autumn term. From studying the text, *The River*, children will complete an circular narrative and letter with the purpose of informing.

After reading *The Night Gardner*, children will write their own narrative and then a diary entry to recount events.

Please do not share/read these stories to children prior to us looking at them in school as it ruins the excitement / build up at times.



Science

We will be focusing on materials in Science this term. We will work on identifying and comparing the suitability of a variety of everyday materials including: wood, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard. We will also find out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching

<u>Art</u>

The focus for this term is drawing skills. We will focus on outlines, shadows and shading techniques. We will use the work by Peter H Reynold as inspiration.

History

We will be focusing on The Great Fire of London which is a significant event beyond living memory.

Geography

We will be focuses on the different continents and oceans around the world. We will identify parts of the world that are hot and cold and the reasons why this is the case. Children will also learn a range of ways we can look after the environment.

P.E

Children will be receiving PE lessons from their class teacher, as well as Mr Griffiths. Children will arrive into school on Wednesday in PE kits. We will develop our skills in agility, balance and co-ordination and then move onto sending and receiving in a variety of different way.

School Website

Follow the journey of our children on your child's Class Dojo page. Continue to check our Year 2 class page for up-to-date information.

Year 2 Team.

'Imagine, Believe, Achieve'