



# Clitheroe Brookside Primary School

November 2024

Dear Parents,

## Goldfinch Class Autumn 2 2024

Welcome back to another half term, I hope you all had a lovely and restful break! After a hardworking first half term, we are now looking at what is coming up in autumn 2. Here is an overview of the subjects we will be covering.

### English

In English, we are starting a new unit about biographies. Throughout the unit, we will be reading many different biographies, analysing them, and collecting key information ready to write our own. We will be writing 2 biographies about *Walt Disney* and *William Shakespeare*. Our focus grammar skills are embedded relative clauses and cohesive devices.



### Maths

In maths, we will continue to develop our understanding of both mental and written methods for the four operations. We will also begin to work on fractions, percentages and decimals, as well as angles, pie charts and measurement, including perimeter, area and volume.



### Science

In science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We will describe how living things are classified into groups according to their characteristics, similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and animals.

### DT

In DT, our focus is celebrating culture and seasonality by making scones or muffins. We will be generating innovative ideas, through research, to develop a design brief, explore a range of initial ideas, and write a step-by-step recipe before making our own.

### Geography

In geography, we will study Brazil. We will use maps, atlases, and globes to locate the country and identify the key physical and human characteristics.

### Other Subjects:

**French:** Our world

**RE:** Hinduism

**Music:** Classroom Jazz

**PE:** Gymnastics and swimming **P.E days are Tuesdays and Thursdays**

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**Computing:** Spreadsheets

**PSHE:** Safe relationships and respecting ourselves and others.

### Homework

Homework will continue to be uploaded onto Google Classroom and sent home on a Friday to be returned by the following Thursday. Paper copies are available if needed. Please continue to support your child with this and encourage them to hand it in on time.



### Home Reading

Reading books are still going out and can be brought back at any point during the week. Please sign your child's reading diary whenever they read and remind them to do so regularly. If possible, your child needs to read three times a week. They can read a book from home.

### Behaviour

We continue to follow the whole school behaviour policy and the children have been busy working hard to earn work and behaviour merits and getting their names on the recognition boards, focusing on 'readiness to learn'. Raffle prizes are also given out in the class.



As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Strong  
Goldfinch Class Teacher