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Dear Parents,

Class 2 Information – Autumn term 2012

Welcome back after the summer holiday. We hope you have all had a lovely break.

Swimming and PE

We will be swimming every Tuesday afternoon starting on the 18th September for the whole of this term. Please ensure your child has their kit with them, including swimming costume or trunks, cap and towel.

We will be having our PE lesson every Friday, however it would be useful for the children to have their kit in school every day should we decide to do any extra activities.

Long hair should be tied up and earrings should be removed for all PE lessons. If it is not done at home before school, children will be expected to do this themselves.

Great Fire of London Topic

Our topic this term is all about the Great Fire of London. We hope you have worked hard and enjoyed making your houses over the holidays. We will be recreating the fire, so should you wish for your child's house to come home. Please let us know.

Class Assembly

Our class assembly is on Friday 12th October at 9.10am and will be all about our Great Fire of London topic. The assembly will be followed by refreshments and the opportunity to work with your child on a range of activities in the classroom.

Helpers

If you are free to come in and help hear some readers or work with a small group, please let us know. It would be very much appreciated. We would also love to hear from anyone with a skill that they would be happy to share with the children, for example knitting, card making or skills related to your jobs.

Any boxes, tubes, plastic cartons etc which can be used for junk modelling would also be appreciated.

Fruit

The children are currently having their free fruit in the afternoon. For morning snack time the children should bring in their own fruit to eat. If you would like your child to have milk during morning snack you will need to order it from cool milk.



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Homework

Maths and Literacy or topic homework is set on a Friday to be returned on the following Wednesday. Children are also expected to read for ten minutes daily.

Reading

This term each child's reading will be assessed and the children will be given a reading colour. This assessment is based on their accuracy, fluency and ability to comprehend what they have read. Please help your child to choose from the correct colour band (trolley outside Class 2). We ask that details of the books they have read be written in their reading diary which we will check daily in school.

Morning Activities

Each morning when the children come into school, activities will be waiting for them. To begin with this will consist of a set of activities for Year 2 children (as last year). Year 1 children will be given a work book with jobs to be completed independently. These may consist of number formation, letter formation or other things that we have spotted they need to practise a little more. The jobs in these books are not intended to challenge or be new concepts but to encourage independent work and settling. Each child will have an activity that has been tailored to their specific needs.

Toilet breaks

Whilst we realise that the children are very young and not always able to wait for long periods of time, regular unnecessary toilet breaks can affect ALL of the children's learning. The children will be encouraged to wait until an appropriate time before they interrupt the activity. This will not be for an extended period of time and will be reviewed on an individual basis.

Drinks

Children will have access to their own water bottle throughout the day.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Cox and Mrs Challenger.

