

# Class 2 Half Termly Newsletter

September – October 2017

## Important Information Here

Back to school: 30th October  
Christmas Fayre: 8th December  
Christmas Lunch: 18th December

Reading Cafe: 16th November  
Lion King: 13th December  
Christingle: 15th December

## Certificates

**Certificates for behaviour:**  
Harriet Collins

Well done for all the children who competed in Hi5 netball and cross country. 19 children made it to the next stage across the Partnership. A huge well done to **Mia H** for coming 2nd in Year 5 girls.



**Reading certificates:** Mia Horwood, Thomas Pitcher, George Ray, Corey Nichols, Ellie Dutton, Poppy Calton, Ayla Samsel.

**Special mention:** Beatrice Brice for her attitude to swimming.

Well done to **ALL** children in Class 2 who have made a real effort with their reading this half term. Keep up the good work!

## Carousel

This half term, on a Friday morning, the children have been taking part in a range of different activities all based around the theme Harvest. They have been cooking with butternut squash, creating Harvest paintings based on Van Gogh, learning Harvest songs, using nature to create pieces of art and working in the outdoor environment planting and weeding.



## Birthdays

September	October	November	December
Tedi Trudgill	Thomas Pitcher Cain Nichols	Oliver Pitcher Schuyler Hunt Ruby Pitcher Imogen Williams	Izzabelle Taylor Daisy Govier-Schaay

## Parent Connection

After half term, our topic changes to Mountain Tops. We will be looking at different types of rocks, including sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic, find out about Volcanoes and how both these and mountains are made and research different mountain ranges. Because this is a cross curricular topic, we will also be looking at the artists Albert Bierstadt and Nicholas Roerich.

## About Our Class

This half term we have been concentrating on all things Anglo-Saxon. In English this has meant reading about the stories of Beowulf and how he defeated Grendel, the Sea Hag and the dragon. From these stories, the children have used the text as inspiration to write diary entries, continued the saga of Beowulf and write a newspaper article. In topic, the children have learned lots of information about how the Anglo-Saxons came to England, how they lived, creating Anglo-Saxon houses, and found out about their customs. Thank you to all of you who came to our Anglo-Saxon reading cafe. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

At the end of September, Class 2 went to the Castle for an Anglo-Saxon day. We had a fantastic day, making brooches, hearing stories about Anglo-Saxon warriors, examining the skeleton which is in the exhibit and finding out about their traditions by looking at the artefacts that have been uncovered from Anglo-Saxon times. The kids loved the miniature spoon which was used to get wax out of ears!

In maths, the children have been learning about place value and the importance of knowing the true value of a digit, adding/subtracting 10,100, 1000, rounding to the nearest 10, 100 etc and then focusing on the main four calculation of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

**Congratulations to all the children who passed their cycling proficiency this half term.**





We are back at school on **Monday 30th October**

Please remember:

- **PE Kits** need to be in school on **Mondays** and stay in school until Friday
- **All kit** should be clearly labelled
- **Swimming kits** need to be in on **Wednesdays**
- **Outdoor learning** clothes need to be in schools on **Friday** mornings

Thank you to:

Mrs Brice, Miss Cummings, Mrs Calton, Mrs Dutton, Mrs Horwood, Mrs Gipson, Mrs Jones, Mrs Pitcher, Mrs Williams for all your help with Swimming and Outdoor learning.

Mr and Mrs Schaay for the chicken food.

Thank  
You