# **Class 2 Autumn Newsletter**

#### Dear Parents & Guardians,

Welcome back to school! We have had a lovely first week with your children and are very impressed with how well the children have settled into Class 2. This newsletter is to highlight some of the important information you will need to know for the autumn term.

#### Our Topic

Our topic this term is Romans, and we have many exciting activities planned, including building an edible Roman road, designing mosaics, creating clay artefacts, learning about the life of a Roman soldier, and studying the story Escape From Pompeii. At the end of the topic, we are hoping (depending on the current guidelines) to invite you to a Roman exhibition to show you all of our wonderful work.

### P.E.

P.E. will be on Mondays and Thursdays, where we will be focusing on multi-skills and invasion games. Also, Chance to Shine Cricket will be giving the children some expert cricket coaching on a Thursday during the last four weeks of this first half term. Please can all P.E. kits come to school on Monday mornings and go home again on Friday for washing.

#### Reading

Our reading book changing day will be on Mondays. Each child will be given two reading books a week. Please could you read with your child regularly and make a note of this in their reading record. Any adults who read with the children at school will also make a note of this in their reading record, so please can it be in school every day. We will be hearing all the children read each week as part of our guided reading sessions.

#### Homework

We will set weekly spellings to learn on Fridays, on Google Classroom. Spellings will be based on work we are doing at school. The children will be tested on these on Thursdays. We will also put some suggestions for Maths homework on Google Classroom, based on KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts). Practising these regularly at home will help to develop mathematical fluency and speed.

## Show and Tell

Some children have been really keen to show the class different things related to our Romans topic, which has been brilliant. Please can we ask that if your child has something topic-related that they would like to show that you take a photo of it and email it to the school office, and then we can show it to the class on the interactive whiteboard.

# Water Bottles and Hand-Washing

Every child needs to bring a water bottle to school (water only, please). In line with current guidance, we are regularly washing hands with soap at school and the children have been very sensible and cooperative with this.

We would like to welcome Ollie, Calum and our new TA, Mrs B Alexander (known as Mrs A), to the class. Please get in touch with us if you have any queries or concerns.

We are looking forward to a fantastic year of learning and fun in Class 2!

Mrs F Alexander and Mrs Comito