

St John's and St Clement's C of E Primary School  
Year 2 Newsletter  
Autumn 1 2017



Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you have had a restful and enjoyable summer. We have had a great start to the term. All classes throughout the school have taken the name of a renowned artist. The Year 2 classes are called Kusama and van Gogh. We have spent the first two weeks learning about our artists. This year, each year group will be focussing on a project approach to learning every half term.

Kind regards

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### PE



Class name	PE days
Kusama	Tuesday and Wednesday
van Gogh	Monday and Wednesday

Children will need their trainers, navy shorts and house colour t-shirts. **Plain navy tracksuit bottoms** may also be worn for outside PE.

### Our topic is called '**A twist in the tale**'.

We will be reading alternative versions of traditional tales in English and linking them to our science topic of plants. The children will be investigating how to successfully grow plants and what they need for survival. We will be further incorporating this into our forest school afternoons on Fridays.



### Homework

Every child has a **reading book** which we would like you to read with them on a daily basis. Please make sure that the reading record and book is signed and kept in the bookbag.

**Maths homework** is set weekly on Friday and due in on Thursday.

**Spellings** are taught and practised weekly. Lists will be sent home.

#### **WRITING AND TOPIC**

Over the next five weeks children should complete some of these activities or make up activities of their own. They have an exercise book to use to complete their homework project. The homework deadline is Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October

AT LEAST ONE OF THE WRITING TASKS MUST BE COMPLETED:

- 1 . Research and write about the life cycle of a plant.
- 2 . Retell your favourite traditional tale.
- 3 . Write instructions on how to grow a plant.

AND SOME OF THESE:

1. Draw, paint or collage a plant or flower.
2. Grow a plant at home
3. Go on a walk in the local area and sketch or photograph the plants you see.

### School Value

**KINDNESS**