



Unit 2 (Years 1 & 2) Newsletter Autumn 1 2021

Sports Day

We are delighted to invite you all to our Sports Day on Thursday 30th September. This will be our first event on our new Astro Turf Sportsfield. Below are the times for each age group:

Unit 4 (Years 5 & 6) - 9.00-10.30

Unit 3 (Years 3 & 4) – 10.30 – 12.00

Unit 2 (Years 1 & 2) - 12.45 – 2.00

FS (Puffins and Penguins) – 2.00-3.15

Home Learning and Supporting the Curriculum at home

We have attached a selection of Knowledge Organisers for you to use to support your child's learning at home. These set out clearly what we expect children to learn and remember in that subject. Please use these at home to reinforce and help embed your child's learning.

Our home learning project will be set on Teams, please see your child's home-school link books for the logins. They also have access to TT Rockstars, Sumdog, Spelling and Maths Shed, MyOn, Letterjoin, and Oxford Owls Library to help their learning at home. These logins are also on their password sheet.

Library—the children will choose a library book to share at home, please return the book each Monday.

Swimming and Woodland camp

We are cleaning and heating up our school pool. We will be ready to start swimming from the week commencing 13th September.

Our swimming day is Monday

Remember to bring swimming costume, towel/robie, flip flops/ jelly shoes, swimming hat.

Please bring in a pair of wellies to stay in school for your child to use in the woodland camp.

Snowy Owls and Tawny Owls—Tuesday, Little Owls—Wednesday

School Value



This half term, we are learning about Respect, and how respect for others helps builds the warm, welcoming, and calm atmosphere in school.

British Value



This half term, in our Class Assemblies, we are learning about the British Value of Democracy by electing our School Council, to help our school become even better.

Our Curriculum- Children in Key Stage 1 and 2 will enjoy a long and short enquiry each half term.

Long Enquiries

A long enquiry typically lasts five weeks and allows us to teach a subject, such as history, in depth. Clear expectations of what will be learned, is shared with parents and pupils through a Knowledge Organiser. At the end of the work, we plan to use Enquiry Quizzes on our iPads to see how much each child has remembered.

Short Enquiries

A short enquiry can last anything from 1 – 3 days and adds breadth to our curriculum.

Our first Learning Enquiry this term is 'What is the weather like?', and the Knowledge Organiser is attached. Please use it to reinforce and repeat the learning at home.

Maths—In Year 1 we will be revisiting the children's reception experiences and focusing on counting within 100 in different ways.

In year 2 we will be learning about the place value of numbers 10 to 100.

Literacy

The children will write their own story about a pocket - sized friend. Little ___'s Big Adventure. We will provide opportunities for the children to engage in imaginative play and talk about these experiences in order to stimulate their own creative writing.

Later in the half term we will be exploring a non-fiction book called 'Weather' by Steffi Cavell-Clarke which will inspire the children to write their own page about the seasons.

Messages

We have been so impressed with how amazingly the children have returned to school this September.

Please continue to contact the school office by email admin@preston.torbay.sch.uk or phone 01803 607075 with any questions or queries. There is also lots of useful information, as well as event dates and term dates, on our school website <https://www.preston.torbay.sch.uk/>

Please remember to order your child's lunch online.

The gates open at 8.40am—children are welcomed into class at 8.50am. The class teacher is available at the end of the day for any quick queries or messages.

Dates to remember

Sports Day—Thursday 30th September

Last day before half term - Friday 15th October

School returns after half term - Monday 1st November

School App

Our school app is the best way to get information about dates and events going on in the school. Search for 'School News' in your app store.