



St Mark's CE Primary School

Year 2 Newsletter

Autumn 1



ORCHARD
—Community Trust—
Courage - Unity - Equity

The UK: What kind of place is it?

This half term the children will be learning about the four countries that make up the UK and their capital cities. We also discuss what an island is and discover the names of the seas and oceans surrounding the UK. We will explore the geographical features in each country and identify whether a landmark is a human or physical feature.



ENGLISH

Over the half term the children will be learning how to innovate poems and stories. We will be consolidating our knowledge of what a sentence needs and expanding our vocabulary.

As performers, we will recite, retell and talk about our favourite parts of a poem. To showcase our learning, we will perform our poetry for our friends.

Please help your child to learn their spellings each week for their home learning tasks. It will really help them with their writing in lessons

MATHS

To start off the new school year we will be focussing on deepening our understanding of number and place value.

The children will learn how to partition numbers in various ways and as mathematicians they will identify patterns in number sequences.

To end the half term we will be learning a range of strategies to help us to solve addition and subtraction problems.

Please ask your child to show you the strategies they are being taught in maths lessons and use these to support them in completing their home learning tasks.

KS1 READING

In KS1 we have a huge focus on phonics as these skills open the rest of the curriculum for our children. Your child will bring home each day a reading book suitable for their phonic level and a reading diary. Please read as many times as possible per week with your child and sign their diary each time. We will be updating our reading rewards as a whole school over the next few weeks.

More information to follow.

Thank you for your support - it makes a huge difference to your child.

HOME LEARNING LOGS

As a school we are having a huge focus on home learning and we can't wait to see the fantastic work you produce!

Homework will be sent home on a Friday. Children need to complete and return it to school by the following Wednesday.

At the end of each half term, a project homework task will be set on class dojo for the children to complete. We can't wait to see their creativity!

PE

For PE please ensure that your child comes to school wearing the appropriate kit and that they are not wearing earrings.

2C Mrs Colclough – **Tuesday**

2W Mrs Webster – **Tuesday**



Please check ClassDojo regularly for news, events, reminders and information. Turn on your app notifications so you don't miss out!



PE KIT



Plain white T-shirt



Black shorts or joggers



Plain black or white trainers



Please ensure all items are comfortable and suitable for physical activity.