



Welcome to  
Year 3 and Year 4  
Autumn 2023



# Hello and welcome (back) to Class 2!

- **Teachers** Mrs Robertson (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday)  
Mrs Gray (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday).
- **Teaching Assistants** Mrs Cave & Mrs Dickinson







# Class Contract

On our first day back to school, we have worked together to create a classroom contract.

As well as our Class Contract, we also discussed our Christian Values at Broomhaugh.

- Respect
- Truth
- Kindness
- Forgiveness
- Thankfulness

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# The Calm School Code

We promote and encourage this through:

- speaking nicely
- listening carefully
- acting kindly
- moving calmly



# Individual rewards

We focus on promoting positive behaviour and want to recognise all of the fantastic things the children do. We also want to reward children for being enthusiastic, making the right choices, learning from mistakes and having a go at new things.

## Daily:

- Raffle tickets

## Weekly:

- Special people certificates
  - Good News postcard





## Class rewards

Children can earn points for their whole class.  
Each point is worth a cube.

When the jar is full the class can then bank 15 minutes of 'Privilege Time' to enjoy at an agreed time.

Children can choose to do a whole range of things during this special privilege time.



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# Reading

Promoting a love of reading is at the heart of our school. Reading is an essential tool to access the curriculum, to engage and make sense of knowledge and to explore, question and respond to the world. We provide our pupils with a good range of authors so that they can understand more about the world in which they live through the knowledge they gain from texts.

We work closely with all of our families to ensure this continues at home. We want all of our children to engage with and experience a wide range of texts including fiction, non fiction, newspapers, magazines, e-books etc.



# Reading

- ❖ Reading diaries and reading books should be brought into class **every day**. Reading diaries will be checked weekly.
- ❖ The children will take part in **Guided Reading once a week**.
- ❖ Please support your child to read every day. There are so many benefits of shared reading time including fostering the development of listening skills, spelling, reading comprehension and vocabulary as well as establishing essential foundational literacy skills.
- ❖ Reading **should** be recorded **daily** at home in the reading diary. We encourage children in KS2 to become more independent and record their own reading responses in the diary.
- ❖ Books will be changed as and when required (when signed by an adult in the reading diary).



# PE

- ❖ Swimming will be on Wednesday afternoons for Autumn Term only.
- ❖ Outdoor PE will take place on Friday afternoons.
- ❖ Please make sure children have a labelled PE kit, including their PE shoes (trainers). They need dark shorts, a white t-shirt, a dark jumper/hoody/ joggers and spare socks. **This kit should stay in school.**
- ❖ No jewellery to be worn.
- ❖ Hair needs to be tied up.
- ❖ Tracksuit bottoms / leggings for outside PE.
- ❖ P.E. is outdoors wherever possible, so please make sure your child is dressed appropriately and has the correct kit at all times.





# Medical information

- ❖ Medical forms – updated if necessary (asthma, allergies etc).
- ❖ Please fill in appropriate forms from the office if medication needs to be administered to your child

# Home time/pick up

- ❖ If there are any changes to usual pick up arrangements, please contact the school via email or phone prior to home time.



# Multiplication Tables



Each child in both Year 3 and 4 has a log in for Times Tables Rockstars (available online or as an iPad/mobile app). This is an excellent way for the class to develop their confidence and abilities in times tables, which will also help their progress in Maths.

The more the children practise, the faster their recall. This will support so many other areas of maths so please encourage and support your child to access this frequently as well as practising in other ways (pencil and paper, games, chanting, songs etc)

There will be a Times Tables Quiz every Friday (this will not start till the week beginning 18th September). More details will follow.

In June 2024, our Year 4 children will take the Multiplication Tables Check. This is a statutory assessment. The children will access the check on an iPad, There will be 25 questions in total (6 seconds to answer each question) taken from a range of tables up to  $12 \times 12$ .



# Rise and Shine Morning Activities

We start each day in Class 2 with a variety of skills based activities which includes:

- ❖ *times table practice*
- ❖ *spelling/handwriting*
- ❖ *guided reading*
- ❖ *journal writing*





# Spellings



- ❖ Spellings will be given out each **Monday**.
- ❖ Completed spelling sheets should be signed and returned the following Monday morning ready for our spelling test.
- ❖ As well as filling in the spelling sheet, please explore other engaging ways for your child to practise their spellings such as chanting, chalking outside, on whiteboards, School 360 (Spell Blast) etc.





# How you can help...

- ❖ Read with your child daily. Explore a variety of texts: fiction, non fiction, poetry etc.
- ❖ Ask questions about the book they are reading and encourage them to read with expression.
- ❖ Continue to practise times tables.
- ❖ Practice of weekly spellings.
- ❖ Encourage writing for various purposes and audiences e.g. diary, birthday cards, emails to family and friends etc, concentrating on grammatical accuracy.





# School Website

The school website is a great place to find out about:

- ❖ Diary dates
- ❖ Year 3 & 4 class pages including curriculum overviews, optional learning menus, multiplication tables etc
- ❖ Photos
- ❖ Newsletters





# Additional information

- ❖ PE bags are to remain in school and must be in a draw string bag due to space limitations in school.
- ❖ Book bags or small school bags as our corridor space is very limited.
- ❖ Children will need wellies to go on the grass in all weathers.
- ❖ Coats for all weathers – you just never know!
- ❖ Named water bottles and a piece of fruit for morning snack
- ❖ Please name all uniform including shoes and wellies



# Questions

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact us.  
We will be at the classroom door at home time at 3:15pm every day.  
Please feel free to call or E-mail school  
[admin@broomhaugh.northumberland.sch.uk](mailto:admin@broomhaugh.northumberland.sch.uk)  
and one of us will respond as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support.  
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