



Crabtree Farm Primary School

Autumn Term Newsletter

Magpies, Clough and Wollaton Deer

September 2024

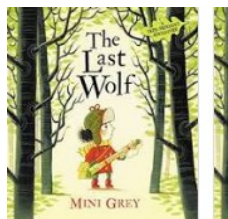
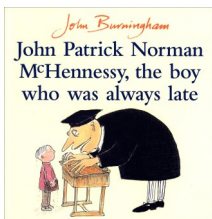
Year 1&2 Information

English

To start off the autumn term, we are going to be reading an exciting book called 'John Patrick Norman McHennessey' and doing lots of activities and writing based on the story. We will also be focusing on ensuring correct letter formation in handwriting lessons.

Later in the term we will be reading some traditional tales with a twist, the children will be doing lots of writing about these stories including some descriptions using adjectives, some conjunctions (and, but, because) and learning to use the correct punctuation (full stops, commas and question marks).

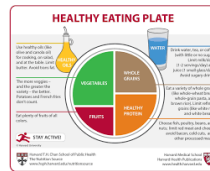
In addition to the three practise reading sessions a week, the children will also be doing reading comprehension activities to further their understanding of the books.



Welcome back, we hope you had a fantastic break from school. We look forward to a very busy term!

Science

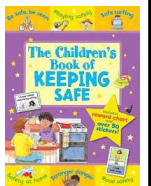
Our topics for this term are Animals Including Humans, focussing on health and diet and Living Things and their Habitats. We will be looking at how to keep healthy and what makes a good diet. The children will learn about which foods come from what animals and how food can be processed. During the second half of the term, the children will investigate different types of habitats from around the world and how animals adapt to them.



Relationship and Sex Education

In R.S.E we will be learning about the differences between males and females and keeping safe. Our book recommendation to help children with this topic is:

- The Children's Book of Keeping Safe



Maths

This term in maths we will be focusing on:

- Number and place value—this will involve learning how many tens and ones are in a number, comparing numbers with the < and > symbols and ordering numbers
- Counting in 2s, 5s, 10s and 3s—please help your children to practice these at home.
- Number- addition and subtraction of one and two digits using different strategies. These will include using number lines, base 10 and 100 squares. The children will learn their number bonds to 20 and 100.



Diversity Calendar

This term as part of our whole school diversity calendar we will be learning about:

- Black history month
- National Inclusion Week
- Harvest festival - Christian festival
- Yom Kippur- Jewish festival
- Show Racism the Red Card
- World Kindness Day
- Diwali - Sikh and Hindu festival
- Armistice day
- Birth of Jesus- Christian festival
- Hanukkah - Jewish Festival



Geography

During our geography work, we will be looking at the continent of Asia. We will look at both human and physical features of an area within Asia and comparing this with the UK. We will look at maps and use them to locate different places within the continent.



History

During our history topic, we will be learning about the Victorians. We will be looking at and comparing the lives of Victorians with our own and describing how they are different and similar. We will look at some artefacts and see how these have changed over time.



PE

Did you know exercise helps your brain function better?

Wollaton Deer and Magpies have PE on a Monday and Tuesday. Clough have PE on a Wednesday and Thursday.

Please ensure that they wear **uniform on top and black jogging bottoms/ leggings/shorts and black trainers**. No jewellery, including earrings!



Dates for your diary

- 16.9.24 – Y1/2 parents welcome meeting 9am
- Cancelled – Macmillan coffee morning
- 16.9.24 – Harvest Festival
- 17.10.24 – Firework Display
- 18.10.24 – last day of term
- 4.11.24 – children return to school
- 12.11.24 – Florence Nightingale experience
- 15.11.24 – Children in Need
- Moved to spring term – Parent/carer open afternoon
- 2.12.24 – Christmas jumper day
- 4.12.24 - Christmas carol concert at St Mary's
- 5.12.24 – Christmas Fayre
- 9.12.24 – EYFS/ KS1 production PM
- 10.12.24 - EYFS/ KS1 production AM
- 10.12.24 – Christmas dinner
- 18.12.24 – Winter Disco
- 20.12.24 – last day of term

Homework and Reading Books

Your child will bring home a book aligned with their current phonics phase. Please read with your child at least 5 times a week. When you sign their organiser after reading, they will move up our class reading charts and earn REDTED badges as they go. It is very important that your child brings their reading books into school **every day** as we will be reading our books during the week.



This year, maths homework will be given out every Friday. If there is any reason why your child cannot complete their homework, please inform their class teacher. It is important your child completes their homework as they will be reviewing it in class and will help their learning.

Questions and Issues

If you have any questions or issues with any aspect of your child's school life, please let us know. The best time to speak to Miss Barnes, Miss Coulling or Mrs Hall is at the end of the school day when you can make an appointment to speak to them. If you wish to pass on a message in the morning, please speak to the member of staff at the door who will pass on the information to the relevant person.

