



# Buxton Primary School

## Tiger Class

### Autumn Newsletter.

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! I hope you have all had lovely summer holidays and are ready for a new school year. I am excited to be teaching in Tiger class, alongside Mrs Pound and Mrs Roger. Here is a little about us, followed by some important reminders...

**Mr Beale** – I have been teaching for about twelve years now, most of which has been here at Buxton, although before I was teaching languages abroad. In my spare time I like riding my bike, surfing and climbing mountains. My next big project is to get to the top of Spantik in Pakistan!

**Mrs Roger** – has been working with this class since Reception, so knows all of the current Tiger children very well. She always cycles to and from school, bringing lots of smiles to the classroom.

**Mrs Pound** – knows year two brilliantly, having worked with previous Tiger classes and is happy to encourage everybody to reach their potential. She is a keen swimmer and can be found in the pool in her spare time.

**Our School Day** - Remember our gates will be open from **8:20am to 8:30am** now, for an earlier start to the day. We will then finish at **3:00pm**.

**Belongings** – Please remember to send your child in with named belongings and a water bottle every day, paying attention to the weather.

**PE** - PE days will be on **Monday** and **Thursday**. Please ensure that your child comes to school on these days wearing their School PE kit (underneath a tracksuit in cooler weather). Ensure your child has long hair tied back and that earrings are removed prior to school on these days, if your child cannot do this themselves.

**Reading** – It is essential that the children continue to read regularly, a small amount every day ideally, to improve their fluency, confidence and develop


vocabulary. Books will be checked and changed weekly and your child will have the opportunity to change them each morning as needed.

**Homework** – Homework will be sent home every Friday and should be returned on the following Wednesday, ready for marking and re-issuing. This will be focused on practising the following core skills every week;

- Reading – It is expected that your child will read at home AT LEAST 3 times each week. Please sign and date in the reading record each time you read together. Please ensure your child has their reading diary and book in school **every day**.
- Spellings – Children will have up to 6 spellings to focus on each week which are tested on Fridays.
- Maths/English – Children will be given about a page of math and/or English each week, with regular ‘Maths Seeds’, ‘TT Rock Stars’ and ‘Purple Mash’ activities that will practise and develop their fluency.

In addition to this, we will continue setting our half termly project.

**Learning** – we will start with the following learning focus for this term;

<b>Science</b> – Uses of Everyday Materials; Changing Shape	<b>Maths</b> – Number; Place value; Mental / Written Addition and Subtraction; Multiplication; Money.	<b>Art</b> – Drawing Portraits; Painting and Colour Mixing (Modern Art)
<b>English</b> – Fairy Tales; Letters; Poetry; Recounts.		<b>History</b> – War and Remembrance; The Victorians.
<b>Guided reading</b> – Fiction and non-fiction texts linked to English.	<b>PSHE</b> – RSE; Votes for Schools.	<b>PE</b> – Fundamentals; Yoga; Sending and Receiving; Fitness.

**Please note:** the children will be set individual targets in English and Maths.

I’m looking forward to a super term with your children. Please always contact the school and arrange to speak to me if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Mr Beale