



Welcome to Autumn Term 2024



I hope you have all had lovely summer holidays and your children feel ready for year 2! There have been lots of smiles and plenty of energy so far, which is lovely to see. Mrs Pound, Mrs Rogers and I are looking forward to a fantastic year where your children will be able to make lots of progress academically as well as socially and emotionally.

This term's learning

<p>Maths: Number; Place value; Mental / Written Addition and Subtraction; Repeated Addition, Multiplication; Money.</p>	<p>English: Fairy Tale Fiction Writing; Poetry; Recounts of Personal Experiences – Diary Writing. Guided Reading Selected fiction and non-fiction texts linked to the above.</p>	<p>RE (inquiries): What might Hindus learn from the Diwali narrative? Why are symbols and artefacts important to some people?</p>
<p>Science: Uses of Everyday Materials; Materials Changing Shape.</p>	<p>History: War and Remembrance; The Victorians.</p>	<p>RSE: PANTS and how to be safe around others.</p>
<p>Computing: Online Safety, the Internet and Technology in our Lives; Introduction to Multimedia.</p>	<p>DT/Art: Drawing Portraits; Making Games through Textiles.</p>	<p>PE: Fundamentals; Sending and Receiving; Yoga; Target Games.</p>

The above gives you an outline of what we will be learning across this term. This list is not exhaustive, and learning is adapted to all our children's abilities and interests.

Things to remember ...	Homework
<p>Belongings – please remember to send your child in with named belongings, including a water bottle for daily use and clothing to suit the weather.</p> <p>PE – will be on Mondays and Thursdays so children will need to come into school in their PE kits on these days.</p> <p>Book bags – the children will need to have their reading books & reading records in school every day. Please ensure you check bags daily for any 'Just to let you know' notes.</p>	<p>In year 2, the children will be set homework on a Friday to be completed by the following Friday. This homework will include weekly spellings and times tables practice.</p> <p>We also expect a small amount of reading every day. Please help them to do this at home and let us know how they are getting on in their reading records. This is a crucial part of their learning – thank you for your help with this.</p>

The Tiger Team

Mr Beale – I have been teaching for over a decade now, most of which has been here at Buxton, although I have also taught languages abroad. In my spare time I like riding my bike, surfing and climbing.

Mrs Pound – knows year 2 brilliantly, having worked with previous Tiger classes. She loves to encourage everybody to reach their potential. She is a keen swimmer and can be found in the pool in her spare time.

Mrs Rogers- also has experience in this key stage, though she was in year 3 last year, so has a good idea of what the children are working towards too. She often cycles to and from school, bringing lots of smiles to the classroom.

One of us should be around to answer questions at drop off or going home time, however, should you require a chat which may take longer, please let the office know and I will arrange a meeting with you as soon as I am able. Thank you.