



Topaz Class Autumn 1 2022 Newsletter

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Reading

Children have begun their Floppy's Phonics journey. This includes daily phonics lessons which support children in distinguishing sounds and developing effective knowledge and skills for reading and writing. This half term we are focusing on: orally blending cvc words (dog, pin etc), hearing and saying the first sounds in words and then using our knowledge of phonics to write these sounds.

Please support your child with reading at home. Children will bring home a reading book which will be changed weekly. Your child will receive a reading record which will inform you what day your child will change their book. Children will also have the opportunity to loan a library book from school every Wednesday.

Our topic is called 'Who am I?'

This half term our topic focus is "who am I?". We will be learning about all things us. We will focus on what makes us unique, how we have changed since we were babies and who is in our family. We will also be exploring simple maps; learning about where we live and go to school. We will celebrate the Harvest Festival, where we will learn about farming and try different types of vegetable.

We are looking forward to getting to know our new children and families. We use an online programme called Tapestry to let you know more about your child's learning and development. If you haven't signed up already or need support, please speak to a member of staff.

Physical development

In PE we will be learning about different ways to move, focusing on our co-ordination skills.

The children will be outside everyday, in all weathers. Please make sure that your child has named waterproof clothing and footwear when needed.

PE day is Thursday. For this half term, children should come to school in PE kit.

Attendance

Good attendance is not only essential for good progress but also gets children into habits that will set them up to lead a happy and productive life.

We expect children to attend school every day and on time unless they are too ill. If your child is too ill to attend, please call the school office on 0113 5128746 to explain why. Please be aware that we do carry out home visits as part of our attendance protocols.

