

Year 2 Newsletter



Autumn 2—2024/2025

Notices and Reminders

Your child's PE day is on **Wednesday** Please ensure that your child's PE kit contains: - A Mytchett logo PE t-shirt or a plain t-shirt in the house colours - Black shorts - Black tracksuit top/ Grey Mytchett hoodie - Black tracksuit bottoms - Trainers (that fit!) Please remember to take out your child's earrings on PE days. Our school website shares guidance on the wearing of jewellery.

Reading

This term the children will be reading 'The Secret Garden' by Frances Hodgson Burnett. They will be focusing on reading with fluency and understanding vocabulary.

The class reads will be 'Oliver Twist' by Charles Dickens and 'The Dark' by Lemony Snicket.



Writing

In writing this half term, the children will immerse themselves in a warning tale through orally retelling the story. They will then use their deep knowledge of the story structure to create their own version of Kassim and the Dragon. Once complete, the following text will be an

instructional text (How to Trap a Dragon). Throughout the cycle, the children will be exposed to a range of skills that will help them develop their writing.



<u>Key dates</u>

Sat 9th Nov FFMPS Fireworks Fiesta

WB - Monday 11th Nov Antibullying Week (inc. Odd socks day Tues)

> Weds 20th Nov Immunisations

Fri 29th Nov SMILE Afternoon

Thursday 12th Dec Carols by Candlelight – Y3 – Y6 (5.30pm)

Mon 16th Dec KS1 Nativity – St Andrew's Church Evening (6.00pm)

Tues 17th Dec Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Craft Day/FFMPS Shopping Day PT Elf Run

> Weds 18th Dec Christmas Lunch and Quiz

Thurs 19th Dec Rock steady Concert (time tbc)

20th December End of Term 1.30pm finish main school/1.15pm Nursery

Maths

The children will continue to master addition and subtraction skills. They will learn to add and subtract across a multiple of ten and solve problems with two-digit numbers. They will then learn about shape which will include investigating 2D and 3D shapes including vertices, sides, faces, edges, patterns and symmetry

symmetry.



Science

This half term the children will learn why exercise and hygiene are important for our bodies. They will then learn how they can conserve energy at home and at school, focusing on their research skills. They will also be looking at renewable and non-renewable resources and how they can be materials.



DT

In DT this half term, the children will be learning how to make a stable structure by building a chair that will be suitable for Baby Bear. They will be learning about the key features of a stable structure, as well as how to construct, test and evaluate it.



Computing

This half term the children will learn what a photo is and how to take a great photograph. The children will find out the difference between a photograph and a digital image, as well as how photographs and digital images can be stored. Finally, they will explore taking their own photographs, looking at composition, light and how to edit photographs to make the stored.

even better.



<u>Homework</u>

<u>History</u>

This half term the children will continue learning about the Victorian Era, focusing on what life was like for children. They will also have the opportunity to compare their own lives with the living conditions of children during Victorian Era and how life was different for the rich and poor.



PE

This half term the focus in PE changes to dance. The children will be experimenting with moving at different speeds and different levels using our body in a range of challenging ways. They will then begin to put together a complete routine based on the children learning to move like toys.



<u>PSHE</u>

This half term the children will learn the characteristics that contribute to positive and healthy friendships, including kindness, trust, and respect. They will explore good ways of making friends and finally, how to befriend someone who may be feeling lonely or shy.



Suggested books for reading

