

## Hello Class 2 Parents, and welcome to a new school year!

I hope you have had a good summer. We have had a good (if warm) few days. We will have a Class 2 Parents' Meeting soon, during which I will tell you all about what it will be like in Class 2 this year. However, here are a few useful pieces of information for now.

### The Blog.

Our class blog will keep you up to date with what we have been up to and any information you need to know. It will also include homework (which will also be printed out if need be). You can find it at [littlehoughtonclass2.blogspot.com](http://littlehoughtonclass2.blogspot.com). The blog is updated on a Thursday evening.

### P.E.

Our P.E. day will be Wednesday. We might be inside or out so please ensure your child's P.E. kit has everything needed and that it is all labelled, top to toe!

### Homework

All homework will be on the blog and will also be printed out if need be and put into a folder. It will consist of: weekly spellings for Year 2, weekly maths for both year groups and ideas for any extra learning you might like to do. There will also be ongoing 'tricky word' (common exception word) learning which I will send more information out about.

### Reading Books.

We are changing the way we read with your children this year. More information will follow during the class meeting, but for now: your child will have different books in their book bags:

**Phonics books.** A book they have been reading with an adult during the week, and will bring home to read to you for fluency and comprehension. Changed on a Friday.

**Badger books.** Picture books that have been chosen so that your child may enjoy reading them to you, or may enjoy you reading to them. Changed on a Friday.

**Extra reading books.** For those children who would benefit from extra reading books, they will have these in their book bag. They may be easier than their 'phonics books' to enable them to feel a sense of achievement reading them to you at home. Changed on a Monday.

We need to take some time to read with your children to assess them, so it may be a few days before your child brings a reading book home.



Class 2  
Autumn Term 2023  
**The Bog Baby**



**English:**

Non fiction writing about bog babies  
Descriptive writing about bog babies  
Persuasive writing about bog babies  
Firework night poetry

**Maths:**

Place value  
Addition & subtraction  
Shape

**Science:**

Animals and their habitats  
Common plants

**PSHE:**

Me and my Relationships  
Valuing differences

**History:**

The Gunpowder Plot

**Geography:**

Maps of the local area  
Human & physical features on maps  
Creating simple maps

**P.E:**

Games: fundamental skills  
Dance

**R.E:**

Sacred places  
Why does Christmas matter?

**Music:**

Introduction to rhythm  
Seasonal singing including  
Nativity songs

**Art:**

Clay bog babies  
Watercolour paintings  
Andy Goldsworthy

**D.T:**

Design and make a bog baby  
carrier  
Christmas decoration sewing