



**Newsletter for
Neville Class**
with Mrs Bartlett and Mrs Coverdale!



Dearand Family,

Happy New Year!

I think all of the children would agree that the highlight of last half term was performing their nativity play! Despite children fighting of illness and tiredness they all managed to perform like complete stars, so thank you again for supporting us with costumes and learning lines.

This half term is considerably shorter so hopefully we won't get too tired, but we still have a lot to fit in so I am sure we will have great fun working hard and having fun!

As ever please feel free to come and see me with any questions.

Mrs Bartlett

What will we be learning?

Our school topic this half term will be 'What's cooking!' In Neville class we will focus on 'From farm to fork' and look at the journey of our food. Some of the areas we will be focusing on are:

Where our food comes from and how our food is grown, in science we will look at life cycles of plants and animals as well as growing some of our own crops!

In literacy we will be looking at traditional tales relating to food and cooking, with a specific focus on punctuation and grammar.

In maths we will look at the weights and measure we use in cooking as well as our normal focus on the four operations.

In art we will look at the artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo and recreate some of our own fruit faces in different mediums.

Homework and reading

Homework will continue to be set each Thursday and handed in the following Tuesday. Most children have got into this routine very well now, PLEASE remind your child to bring their 'home school record' in each day and especially on Thursday so that they can stick their homework safely in!

Children have been working hard on their SMIRF's. The idea is that children should be able to answer quickly, like answering their name. If you feel your child has achieved this please tick it off and initial it in the first box. I will then look again with the children and do the same. When all boxes are ticked children will move onto their next target.

The 'my maths' tasks that I have been setting seem to be very popular however I am aware that some people are finding this hard to access, so I will be offering children time during our Friday choosing session to have access to a computer.

PE lessons

PE will continue to be on a Tuesday and a Friday. This term we will be joined by James Lofthouse, qualified FA coach, on a Tuesday. He will work with us to teach the skills and rules of 'Futsal', a similar game to football; although this is a fast paced indoor game we will mainly be working outside on the playground to make use of the extra space. ***PLEASE make sure that children have appropriate outdoor PE kit and suitable footwear as at this time of year it can often be cold and wet!***

Mr Warriner will continue with our Friday session teaching basketball/netball skills.

REMEMBER!

Every day I need my 'home school record', my named PE kit and my water bottle!

Our team

This half term we will continue to be supported by Mrs Coverdale but will also be joined by Miss Bennet who spends most of her time in Howard Class. She will be working in the classroom with the children as well as working with some of them individually, sharing her expertise to support learning.

Mrs Hunt is also a frequently seen face in our school and she would like to introduce herself to you:

I am a trained primary teacher with Qualified Teacher Status, Approved Teacher Status (British Dyslexia Association), and a Postgraduate Diploma in Specific Learning Difficulties (Dyslexia Action). Sheriff Hutton School kindly gave me a voluntary work placement while I was studying, and I was then invited to join the staff team to give one-to-one literacy support sessions. I have a similar role in Sutton and Huby schools, and also tutor a number of dyslexic pupils outside of school. It's sometimes quite a challenge to help pupils find ways to overcome hidden barriers to learning 'the usual way', but it's always a great privilege to work alongside so many bright, creative, determined and inspiring young people!