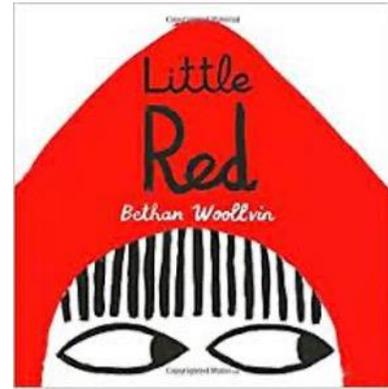


Browne Class Autumn 2

Newsletter 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a restful half term break. We have a very busy term ahead and we will appreciate your continued support at home. Please feel welcome to speak to either myself or Mrs. Illman if you have any concerns or want to pass on any messages, we will always be by the classroom door at drop-off and pick up times.



Our Topic for this term is: **Traditional Tales**

This topic will be incorporated into English (writing), Design Technology (DT) and History. There will be a focus on Phonics, Maths and of course, continuing to strengthen classroom relationships, particularly being respectful.

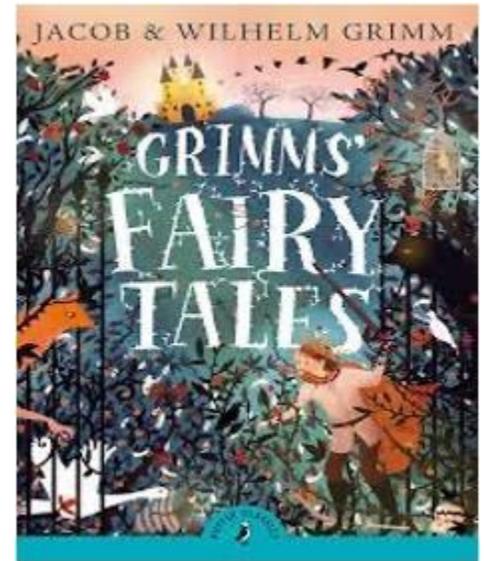
PE Day:

Our PE Days are now on Wednesday afternoons. Please be sure to send your child in a full PE Kit, with a water bottle.

Phonics and Reading:

Daily Phonics and reading lessons are essential learning for all children in the class.

This term children in Year 2 will undergo a Phonics Screening which will be used to track their progress with Phonics. It is important that children practice recognising graphemes and reading real/nonsense words. The *Song of Sounds* Stage 1 and 2 song (which is used within class) is available on Youtube through the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=48uf9I6P2xQ> I will be sending home phonics screening practise sheets for children in Year 2 and for Year 1 some practise sheets over the new sounds they have learned this week to help prepare and support your child. If you would like any additional resources to accompany this, please speak to me and I will be happy to supply you with some.



We will be sending two reading books home, one that your child will be able to phonetically decode independently and one to share with your child for discussion. The second book will contain common exception/high frequency words that your child will not be able to read independently. This will help your child to familiarise themselves with an assortment of books whilst also providing a challenge for them. Please can you write a comment in your child's reading record, so we know they have finished the book as Mrs. Illman will know to change your children's reading books. We will also be continuing to send home weekly spellings.

We would really appreciate your support and engagement with this.

Newsletter and Personal Items:

Each week I will be continuing to include in the weekly newsletter some of the fantastic learning we have enjoyed together. Please look at these as it forms a great insight into our learning for that week and provides talking opportunities with your child about their work.

Last half term we had a number of children's jumpers and cardigans go missing. To make it easier for us, please can you label your child's uniform and check that they come home with the correct jumper/cardigan as it is very difficult to try and match the correct uniform to the child!

We also had children start to bring in toys from home. Due to current COVID restrictions, it is a school rule to not bring in toys from home. Whilst I know children are eager to show their new toys to their friends at school during 'Show and Tell' we would rather the children show any pictures or something they made at home instead. We would appreciate your assistance with this.

I look forward to our parental meetings next week. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office or speak to me in the playground and I will arrange a meeting or phone call with you.

Thank you again for your continued support,

Miss Walls and Mrs Illman