



# Bramble Class

## Autumn Term 2 2024

Dear Parents and Children,  
 Welcome back to Bramble Class! We hope you all enjoyed your holiday and that you're ready for all of the exciting things that will be happening this half term! We have got lots of interesting new topics such as learning all about the Great Fire of London in history and exploring the uses of materials in science. We will still be checking that the children have remembered about the continents and oceans that we were learning about before and hope that you can keep talking about them too. We really enjoyed our PE lessons with Newcastle Sports Service doing dance and we were really impressed with the great routines that the children created together. We will be starting rehearsals for our Christmas production soon and we will be sending home lines for the children to learn and also some songs. We will let you know if the children need any costumes for this.

**Organisation of belongings:** There are lots of things for children to remember each day such as bringing their water bottles, reading books and jumpers/cardigans home. We endeavour to check that children have everything at the end of the day and we please ask that you remind children too. We have started the process of some children changing their reading books and we will be encouraging the children to become more independent with this now. Please also try and remind children to change their books when they need to. We have been really impressed with how many reading records are regularly signed and how much super progress that children are already making with their reading.

### **PE Times and Kits:**

This half term, we will do PE on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays**.



### **Homework:**

Homework will continue to be set on a **Thursday** and we usually ask that it is completed by the following **Monday**. Thank you for all of your support with homework tasks so far. Please remind children to hand in their homework books. They can hand them to us at the door when they enter school if that is easier for them to remember.



### **Reading Volunteers:**

Thank you so much to the parents who have volunteered to come into school to hear readers. It is very much appreciated. We would still welcome anyone else who has any free time to come in. It could be to hear children read from other classes too.

### **Maths:**

We have been so impressed with how the children are developing super mental maths skills in Year 2. Please ask children to recall their number bonds to 10 and calculate simple additions and subtractions mentally to increase their fluency and confidence.

### **Labelling all school uniform:**

Please ensure that all school uniform is labelled clearly with your child's name or initials. It really does make finding any lost property much easier.

As always, please come and see us if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you

Mrs Ward and Mr Burnett

