



# Bramble Class

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 United Foundation and this half term we will be working with Newcastle Sports Service doing gymnastics. To help with our topic about the Great Fire of London, we will be getting in touch with the fire service to see if they can come in to talk to us this half term. If anyone has any links with the fire service, then please let us know. Thank you!

**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 please ask that you remind children too. We have started the process of most 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 **Wednesdays** and **Thursdays**.



**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:**

We are still looking for volunteers to hear children read if anyone has any spare time and is interested. Please come and speak to us if you are.

**Library Books:**

Everyone visited our school library before half term and chose a book to bring home. We will be changing our library books in the first week back and then once a fortnight after that. Children will be able to choose a new book when they have returned their old book and we will keep a record of which books they have.

**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, Mrs Tawn, Mr Burnett, Miss Boal, Mr Angus and Mrs Bruce

