



Green Class Letter Autumn 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

We are looking forward to starting an exciting year ahead in Year 2.

In class

We have **Mrs Mann, Mrs Rajendran** as our Teaching Assistants. **In addition, Mrs Rogers will be covering my release time on a Tuesday.**

Curriculum

Please see the planning documents on the Morden Primary website for information on our wider curriculum learning journey over the Autumn Term.

Reading

Reading Logs **must** be handed in on a Monday and Thursday with the expectation that your child has read with you for **20 minutes** at least **5 times** over the previous week.

If I can share one message with you at the start of the school year, it is the importance of reading.

Benefits of reading for 20 minutes at least 5 times a week*

1. Reading extends and improves vocabulary.
2. Reading makes all subjects easier to access (questions in maths, research in history, etc).
3. Reading inspires wild imaginations.

Science

Our Topic this term is 'uses of everyday materials'. We will be learning to Identify and compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials, including wood, metal, plastic, glass, brick, rock, paper and cardboard for particular uses.

We will also be finding out how the shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

4. Reading encourages creativity and story-telling.
5. Reading helps to develop empathy.
6. Reading provides a deeper understanding of the world.
7. Reading supports focus and concentration.
8. Reading together creates a special bond and shared family interests.
9. Reading supports cognitive development.
10. Reading can help social skills and interactions.

* [WHY IS READING IMPORTANT FOR CHILDREN? | DEVELOPMENTAL EFFECTS \(HIGHSPEEDTRAINING.CO.UK\)](https://www.highspeedtraining.co.uk)

Home Learning

CGP Books are now being used for home learning across years 2 - 6. These will be sent home on a **Thursday** and must be returned to school the following **Tuesday**. Home Learning will be marked together in class.

Please do support your child in completing these home learning activities and making sure they are handed in on time.

There will also be a half-termly project linked to a wider curriculum subject – this term is Autumn themed.

PE

Our PE days are **Thursday** and **Friday**. Please make sure your child wears their PE kit and team t-shirt.

Thanks in advance for supporting your child with this.



I hope we all have a fantastic term of learning.

Mrs Hume

