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Year 2 Squirrels Newsletter – Autumn 2

Welcome

Welcome back. We hope you had a lovely break. This term is always an exciting one, with lots of Christmas activities to look forward to but we also have lots of learning to fit in as well! Keep an eye out on dojo for details of Christmas performances and activities.

Phonics and Reading

Well done to all of you who are reading at home. We have seen lots of improvement already and your dojo count is going up quickly too! Please remember to have reading books and reading record books in school every day. We aim to listen to readers and change books at least once a week but this is much more difficult if children don't have their books in school. Thank you for your support with this.

Writing

In writing we will be continuing to work on writing with correct sentence structure, especially making sure we are all using capital letters and full stops correctly. We will be looking at the books Flat Stanley and Toby and the Great Fire of London as well as doing some writing based on a short film called Catch It.

Maths

This terms units will include:

Addition and subtraction: children will be continuing to learn to add and subtract within and across a 10. They will learn patterns in addition and subtraction and use related facts to help solve bigger problems. We will be looking at number bonds to 100.

Shape: the children will be learning to recognise and name 2D and 3D shapes. They will be counting vertices, sides, edges and faces on shapes and comparing these. They will also learn to identify lines of symmetry in shapes.

Science

In science, we will be learning about mini beasts and their homes. This is an exciting topic because we will be collecting and observing real mini beasts from around school. We will also be having a special visitor who will show us some of his not so small mini beasts.

Computing

Children will be learning how to present their ideas in different ways. They will be creating story books, quizzes, fact files, mind maps and presentations using Purple Mash.

DT

This term in DT, we will be focussing on structures. Towards the middle of the term, we will be having a DT day in which we will redesign and make Baby Bear's chair.

Geography

In Geography we will be deciding if we would prefer to live in a hot or a cold place. We will be learning the continents, oceans, where the equator is, where the south/north poles are and what the climate is like in different countries. We will also be comparing the UK to Kenya.

Music

Our music this term will be focussed around our Christmas concert. We will also be listening to and appraising Christmas music and practising playing along with our chime bars.

PE

Our PE lessons will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure children are in PE kits on these days and that they have something warm to wear as both lessons will be outside this term. Earrings should be removed either before school or by the child in school. Adults are not allowed to help with this in school.

PSHE

Children will be learning to tie their shoelaces, how to brush their teeth properly and about healthy eating.

RE

In RE the children will be learning about Jewish families. We will look at their beliefs and traditions and compare them to our own.

Homework Project

Where have you visited around the world? We would love to share some photos of you in interesting places. It could be in the UK or abroad. Maybe you could write a few sentences about what the weather and landscape was like there. Either share you work on your Dojo portfolio or print it off and bring it in.
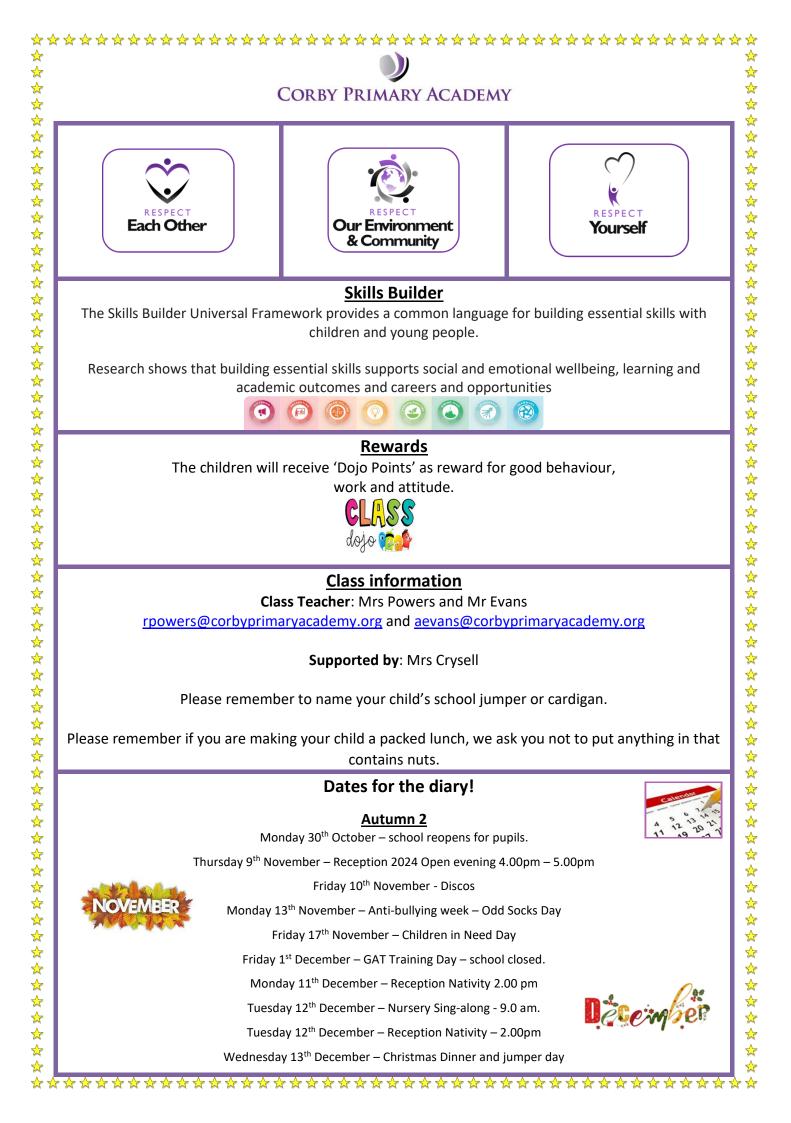
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RESPECT Each Other	RESPECT Our Environment & Community	RESPECT Yourself

Skills Builder

The Skills Builder Universal Framework provides a common language for building essential skills with children and young people.

Research shows that building essential skills supports social and emotional wellbeing, learning and academic outcomes and careers and opportunities

Rewards

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour,
work and attitude.

Class information

Class Teacher: Mrs Powers and Mr Evans

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Supported by: Mrs Crysell

Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

Dates for the diary!

Autumn 2

Monday 30th October – school reopens for pupils.

Thursday 9th November – Reception 2024 Open evening 4.00pm – 5.00pm

Friday 10th November - Discos

Monday 13th November – Anti-bullying week – Odd Socks Day

Friday 17th November – Children in Need Day

Friday 1st December – GAT Training Day – school closed.

Monday 11th December – Reception Nativity 2.00 pm

Tuesday 12th December – Nursery Sing-along - 9.0 am.

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Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Dinner and jumper day

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Friday 15th December – Christmas Crafts afternoon 1.30pm

Monday 18th December – KS1 Christmas Concerts 9.30am and 2.00pm

Tuesday 19th December – KS2 Christmas Concert 2.30pm

Wednesday 20th December – school closes for Christmas

HAVE A Merry Christmas & HAPPY NEW YEAR