



# St Mark's CE Primary School

*'Loving to Learn, Learning to Love'*

## Year 2 Newsletter

### Autumn 1



#### **What is cool about Stoke-on-Trent?**

This half term the children will be learning about the geographical features in their local area. As geographers, they will identify whether a landmark is a human or physical feature. Through discussions, we will also talk about why landmarks are so important.

#### **English**

Over the half term the children will be learning how to innovate poems and stories. We will be consolidating our knowledge of verbs, nouns and adjectives. In our writing, we will be including different types of sentences such as questions and statements. As performers, we will recite, retell and talk about our favourite parts.

#### **Maths**

To start off the new school year we will be focussing on deepening our understanding of number and place value.

The children will learn how to partition numbers in various ways and as mathematicians they will identify patterns in number sequences.

Please ask your child to show you the strategies they are being taught in maths lessons and use these to support them in completing their home learning tasks.

#### **Home learning logs**

As a school we are having a huge focus on home learning and we can't wait to see the fantastic work you produce!

Homework will be sent home on a Friday. Children need to complete one of the tasks and return it to school by the following Wednesday. Please read the expectations sheet and sign your child's home learning log each time they complete a task to the best of their ability.

#### **All about me...**

This half term is all about us getting to know your child better...

Do they go to any clubs?

What do they enjoy doing at the weekend?

Have you visited anywhere exciting recently?

Plenty of learning opportunities happen out of school and we would love to see some photos of you making memories.

If your child would like to share a photo with their friends in class, please send it via purple mash or hand a copy to the class teacher.

#### **Reading**

Please make sure that your child reads every night and that their diary is signed by an adult. If your child reads more than five times a week they will be entered into the weekly prize draw and they could win a brand new book!

Here at St. Mark's we LOVE to read! How many books from the '**100 Stoke Reads**' list has your child read? Go to the library and tick a few more off the list.

#### **P.E.**

P.E will be on a Tuesday so please ensure that your child comes to school wearing the appropriate kit and that they are not wearing earrings.