

COMET - Rocket Class - Autumn 2

Welcome back!

We hope you had a lovely half-term holiday despite the wet weather! Now that we are half-way through the term, we are looking forward to meeting you for parent consultations to celebrate how your children are getting on. The run-up to Christmas is always a busy time both at school and at home with lots of lovely events and activities to look forward to.

Timetable

Monday

*P.E kits in school for the week.

*Please ensure book bags and reading records are in school every day.

Friday

*Phonetically matched reading book is returned to school.

*PE in the afternoon with Mrs Staveley.

*Music in the afternoon with Mrs Harris.

Please ensure your child brings their book bag and water bottle **every day**.

Homework Expectation

All children have a 'reading for practice' book. They are also encouraged to take a book or magazine from our class library for 'reading for pleasure', which is entirely their own choice and can be changed as often as they like. In Comet Class, children take turns to review and share a favourite book with their classmates. You will be notified when it is your child's turn to prepare a presentation. All children are expected to complete the right-hand side of their reading diary at home **on a weekly basis** please. This is shared in class each Monday when children get another brief opportunity to recommend a favourite book from their previous week's reading.

The spelling list for Y2 Common Exception Words can be found [here](#). You will find the login for [LetterJoin](#) on the inside front cover of your child's reading diary. This is best used on a tablet or phone.

Children have access to [Numbots](#) for regular practice of number facts at home. Login details can be found on the inside back cover of your child's reading diary. You may also like to take a look at the [White Rose 1 Minute Maths](#) app which is free to download.

Our golden thread this half term is...

'Being Creative.'

This is always a very creative half-term; the glitter will be out before we know it! **Make sure you have Tuesday 19th December in your diary for our Nativity (Nursery-Y2).**

Some areas we will cover this half term...

- Maths: Addition and Subtraction
- English: My Christmas Star (narrative)
- PSED: Respecting ourselves and others/keeping safe.
- Science: Animals including humans.
- PE: Agility, balance and coordination.
- Art: Portraits.
- Computing: Online safety and effective searching.
- History: Houses and homes.
- RE: What do Christians believe?

Communication

Need to contact us...

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for any general enquiries or any out of school hours correspondence.

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helen.clegg@west-tanfield.n-yorks.sch.uk for any collection arrangements or class teacher questions (8am – 6pm only).

Don't forget to follow our Twitter page to get regular snapshots of life in Comet and Rocket Class!

An email is sent each week from the school office with reminders of things parents need to know for the week ahead. Any letters are always sent out by email; for ease, these are also uploaded to the letters section of the website for future reference.

There is a 'whole school news' section on the front page of the website, which has up to date articles added for parents. This can be accessed by scrolling down the page. The latest articles will always appear at the top.