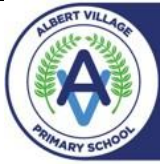


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Jet Class newsletter, Spring term 1



Welcome to Jet class in Spring Term 1, and welcome to the year 2025! During this term, you will see a few different student teachers coming in to work with our class. They are all very keen to support your children as they learn in school.

*Mr Stratton*

### **Keep in contact**

As you have already seen, the school is moving away from Class Dojo now. I will be available at the end of every day on the playground, and a member of staff will be on the door each morning so you can pass messages on to us. If there is anything urgent – pickup information, illness, medication etc – please contact the school office by popping in, phoning, or emailing.

### **Change to Guided Reading**

We are changing our class reading model so we will be doing Shared Reading as a class twice per week, where we work together as a whole-class group to look at reading and comprehension skills. This means we will be unable to run guided reading sessions every day. We still believe this small group reading is important, so we will ensure that every child gets a group reading session at least once every fortnight. They will continue to change their books as part of these small group reading sessions.

### **Home learning**

There is no formal homework in year 2. However, we do expect children to:

- Read at least 3 times per week, and record these in their reading logs.
- Practise the spellings that are sent home every Friday.
- Go on Numbots at least 3 times a week for 10 minutes.

## Reminders

- The school doors are open from 8:45 until 8:55 each morning. We do start learning immediately on getting into school, so please try to arrive as close to 8:45 as possible.
- Please ensure that your child wears their full school uniform every day, and that they wear PE kit on their PE days. They should wear either their school jumper, cardigan, or a plain black or navy hoodie over their PE kits. Please make sure all their clothing is named.
- Please send your child with a water bottle every day.
- The children in Key Stage 1 receive free fruit every lunchtime. As such, we do not allow them to bring their own snacks for break time.

## Days and dates

- Our class PE days are **Monday** and **Wednesday** this half term.
- We will have music sessions with the wonderful Mrs Dennis each Wednesday afternoon this half term.
- The children's last day in school is **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February**. The Friday is a teacher day. The week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> February is half term.
- **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February (after half term):** Parents' Evenings

## Our learning this term

English – we will be focussing on writing persuasive letters, using **The Day the Crayons Quit** as our inspiration.

Maths – we will continue working on addition and subtraction skills before working on our shape knowledge and beginning multiplication and division.

PE – we will be doing work on balances in our *gymnastics* session each week (Monday). We will work on sports fundamentals with a dedicated PE coach every Wednesday.

History – we will learn about life in Victorian times, and then about explorers.

Art – We will be learning the skills to make our own self portraits

RE – We will finish up learning about the good news that Christians believe Jesus brings before we start our new unit , “Who is a Muslim and how do they live?”

PSHE – we will be learning about What makes us special. Please follow this link for ideas of how you can support from home:

<https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/family-scarf/scarf-at-home/valuing-difference>