



Cantrell Primary School Autumn Term Newsletter Class 1



A very warm welcome to all the children (and their families) who have joined us in Class1. We are delighted that you are part of our Cantrell community and we look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child's learning. Here is some key information about the term ahead.

Topics

Our themes for this term are 'Marvellous Me!' This half-term, we will firstly be learning about our bodies and feelings, before moving onto thinking about our families and the area in which we live. After half-term, we'll be celebrating a variety of festivals with food tasting, music and creative activities where we experiment with colour and shape. In English, our focus will be on letter formation, capital letters and full stops. In Maths, we will be looking at place value, addition and subtraction.



Supporting your child at home

After half term, we will give out home study activities for you to complete with your child and then send back in the following week. You can also support your child's development by:

- ✓ encouraging them to get dressed/tie shoe laces by themselves;
- ✓ teaching them how to use a knife and fork;
- ✓ helping them to practise spellings and simple sums (with numbers up to 20).
- ✓ talking to your child about their learning. We'll send you regular updates on Dojo about what we've been learning too.

Reading at home

Reading at home is our main homework priority. We ask you to read with your child as often as you can and record this in their reading diary at least x4 reads each week. This could be their school reading book or a picture book that you have shared together at home. More information to follow.

Water bottles and snack

Please send in **a named bottle of water** every day with your child as it is important they stay hydrated. Please note that our healthy schools' policy does not allow juice, except at lunchtimes. Your child will be offered fruit daily at playtimes. They can also bring in a 'healthy' snack from home to eat. Milk is free all year if you qualify for Free School Meals. If you'd like your child to have milk and they aren't eligible to have it for free, please sign up at www.coolmilk.com/contact where you can pay for it online.

Clothing in school

PLEASE ensure you name all your child's clothing (written in biro on the label is fine).

We will be teaching PE every Thursday. Please send your child to school in their PE kit:

- Black or dark jogging bottoms (shorts in warmer weather) and a plain white t-shirt
- Black or dark blue sports jumper – **No hoodies due to health and safety**
- Trainers suitable for physical activities
- Earrings to be taken out or covered with plasters.

Contacting us on ClassDojo

Please check you are connected to Class DOJO. We will use DOJO to provide you with class information and updates. Please use DOJO to message the teacher if you would like to speak to us.

If your child is unwell, you MUST contact the school office (rather than the class teacher).

