

# Birch Class Reminders

## Book Bags and P.E. Kit

Please can you ensure that your child wears a named PE kit to school every **Tuesday and Thursday**. Book bags and Reading Record booklets need to be in school every day.

## Named Coats

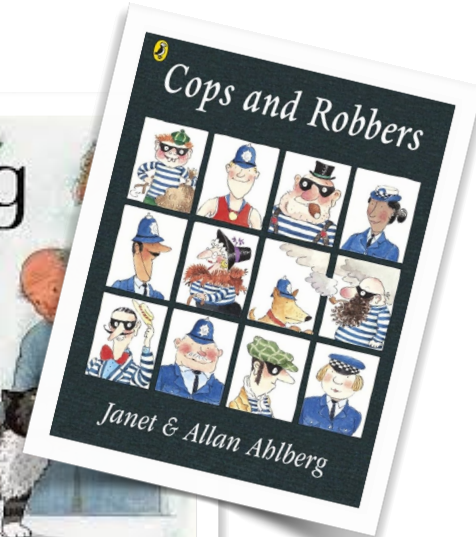
As we approach autumn with more rainy and cooler weather please can you ensure that your child has a named coat to wear at school.

## Reading

Please can you help your child to regularly read their phonic reading books, this helps to develop confidence and reading fluency.



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Birch Class Years 1 and 2  
Autumn Term 1, 2024

## English

All the children will continue to develop their phonic knowledge, reading and writing skills during our Read, Write, Inc daily sessions. The children will be writing in a range of different genres this term including, recounts, a diary entry, stories with familiar settings and stories with predictable and patterned language. Spelling accuracy will be a focus for all the children as they continue to improve their knowledge of alternative spelling patterns, whilst also developing more consistent use of punctuation, including capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks.

## Maths

Using a range of resources and practical activities both indoors and outside, the children will be developing their knowledge of numbers to 20 in Year 1 and 100 in Year 2. All the children will be exploring 2 digit numbers and developing addition and subtraction number facts, including number bonds to 10 and 20.

## P.E.

Our Year 1 and 2 P.E. sessions this half term will focus on developing gymnastic sequences and developing games skills, stopping, sending and receiving a ball using feet.



## RHSE/PSHE

The children will be learning to retell the story of Noah, understanding more about what baptism is and means. They will also be exploring the 'Laudato Si' and what messages we can take from this important letter written by Pope Francis.



## Art and Design

The children will be learning more about the role of colour in art. They will be exploring primary and secondary colours and learning how to create shades, tints and tones by adding black, white and grey to colours.

## Science

The children will be learning about everyday materials in their science topic this half term. The Year 1 children will be naming and identifying the simple properties of materials, whilst Year 2 children will be deepening their understanding of why objects are made using different materials.

## History

We will be using a variety of sources of information to learn more about the lives of Florence Nightingale and Nellie Spindler. The children will be exploring the impact of their work on nursing and our understanding of hygiene in hospitals today.

