



Kathryn's Class Newsletter Autumn 2024

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Welcome back everyone!
We have a great mix of people in our new class—lots of opportunities to make new friends! Moving into Secondary School can be daunting but we want to reassure you that our Year 8 and 9 students will be happy to help our new Year 7s.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child, please do not hesitate to speak to us. We are here to help.



Please would it be possible to send in a pair of wellies or old trainers and spare clothes as we go outside in all weathers.



This half term we will be working with the children to:

- Learn our routines
- Increase their independence in the classroom
- Develop focus and attention for extended tasks
- Learn team sports
- Understand each other's boundaries

Curriculum: We are learning...

In English: Narrative, Letter and Instructional writing using the texts 'Voices in the Park' and 'The Tempest'

In Maths: Focusing on our individual number and shape, space and measure targets. We will be learning about money, time and measurements!

In History: We will look at and compare the Stone Age and the Iron Age.

In Geography: We will look at how Middlesbrough has changed over time.

In RE: We will explore Buddhism and the festivals celebrated in this religion.

In Music: We are going POP! We will look at the music and influence of The Beatles.

In PE: We are working on co-operation and team sports.

In Technology: We are focusing on food and nutrition. Look out for tasty pizza wraps coming your way!

In Computing: We will be covering basic applications and their uses.

In Art: We are looking at photography and portraits.

In Science: We will explore the theme of light and dark as well as forces and their effects.

Our Year 9 students with us for the first 5 weeks will start their Functional Skills courses in preparation for joining their new class in October when the new building is complete. This is very exciting for us! As secondary students, we too will get to use and work in the shared spaces such as the hall and the state of the art gym!

