



# Welcome to Year 2

## Croeso i Ddosbarth 2



Dear Parents/Annwyl Rhieni,

Welcome to a new academic year, it promises to be an exciting one! It has been a pleasure to meet some of you already and the welcome I have received as a new teacher at Padre Pio has been wonderful. I am looking forward to working together with all of you and forming a partnership which will support and enable your child to achieve their best. The following information is provided in order to help you understand how things will be organised in Class 2. I hope that it is useful. If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to ask.

### **Staff**

Class Teacher - Miss Way

Teaching Assistant - Mrs. Jones

On a Wednesday, Mrs Harris will teach the class from 11.45 until the end of the day, taking them for RE and PE.

### **Reading Books**

Reading books are issued on an "as needed" basis. Please send in your child's reading folder/book bag when you need a book to be changed and we will endeavour to do that on the same day. Children will be given a book that they have selected themselves appropriate to their reading ability. It is really important for the children to develop their sounds knowledge as well as a love of reading so we would ask that you please encourage this by trying to hear them read every day. It would also be wonderful if you could enrol as a member of your local library and take your child when you can in order for them to choose their own books to enjoy at home.

### **Homework and Spellings**

Children will be given homework on a Friday and this will need to be returned by the following Thursday please. Over the next few weeks, pupils will be given spelling lists and these will need to be practised at home.

## **PE**

PE will take place on a Wednesday with Mrs. Harris. Please ensure that PE kits are in school on this day. PE is an important curriculum subject and all children are expected to take part unless there is a valid medical reason. If your child is unable to take part during any week please contact the school.

## **Healthy snacks**

Children are encouraged to eat a healthy snack during morning play (fruit or vegetable only please) and bring a water bottle each day.

## **Communication**

For the time being, Class Dojo will not be used in Class 2 as a means of communication but I will review this at half term. If you have any questions, concerns or messages to pass on please feel free to approach myself or Mrs. Jones at the end of the day as these can then be addressed in a timely manner. Any messages from myself will be communicated via the school text or email system.

## **Clothing**

Please could I ask that all jumpers/cardigans and PE kits are clearly labelled. Also, it is important that the children have a coat to wear each day as there may be times when we go outside in wet weather.

Finally, thank you for your support and patience so far. It will take me a little time to settle into the different routines at Padre Pio but I know that with the help of Class 2, it won't take too long! The children have been wonderful so far and are a credit to you all.

I look forward to getting to know you all over the coming year!

Cofion Cynnes/Warm regards,

Miss Way ☺