## Year 1 & 2

Grasmere Academy

## Newsletter

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The Badger team	Class teacher - Mrs Waters Assistant teacher - Mrs Okukpolor and Mrs O'Donell	Diary Dates
Timings of the		27.4.22 Killingworth Library visit
day	Home time 2.50pm	28.4.22 Daily mile day
Things to remember	Decodable reading books linked to the Read, Write Inc. scheme have been very successful, thank you for returning them the day after receiving them.	2.5.22 May bank holiday 5.5.22 World Maths Day
	Children must change their reading for pleasure book at least once a week, especially if it is a picture book.	WB 9.5.22 Mental Health week
	Please remember to bring a named water bottle to school everyday and try to stick to water only.	18.5.22 Badger class trip
	Sun hats and sun cream would be advisable as we move towards Summer weather.	to Newcastle Quay Side.
	Toys and jewellery must not be brought into school.	27.5.22 Break up for half term
P.E. day - Wednesday	Please remember to come to school wearing your school PE kit on Wednesdays. sand shoes/trainers, black shorts, white T-shirt and tracksuit bottoms and hoodie for outdoor sessions and colder days. No jewellery to be worn on PE day this includes stud earrings.	6.6.22 Return to school/ Y1 phonics check week  14.6.22
Ready safe respectful	We will continue to recap our school rules and behaviour system which focuses around the three words 'Ready' 'Safe' 'Respectful' . Children will continue to have conversations around behaviour that will focus on our 3 words and our feelings bottles. Children who	Career workshop  20.6.22  Arts week
	continue to display unsafe or disrespectful behaviour will be sent to reflection with Miss Girvan or Mrs Lilico and a slip sent home to parents/Carers.	WB 27.6.22 Health, wellness and sports week
	Please do not ride bikes/scooters in the yard or use the climbing frame before and after school.	1.7.22 Sports day

Our project	'How Do Bridges Connect Us?'  This term we will focus our curiosity on learning about different places and people. Bridges will help us to connect our ideas and focus on land use and characteristics of an area. We will be having knowledge retrieval lessons about previous learning, then learn lots of interesting new facts about the four countries of the United Kingdom. We will then compare our country to Brazil, looking at landmarks, characteristics, culture and weather. Reading will play a very important part throughout our project and the children will be exposed to many different, interesting and exciting texts.  Please follow us on twitter using @GABadgers we often post about our exciting activities, news and achievements on here!  Year 2 SATs  Year 2 children will be taking their reading, maths and punctuation/grammar/spelling (GAPS) SATs tests during the month of May. They are all used to doing similar tests in class, we do not make a big issue surrounding these, they are just an extra tool in helping to assess the children's levels. We really don't want the children to think these tests are anything to worry about at	Wednesday 20th July Last school day of term
How can we help you	If you have any questions, problems or concerns please talk to me or one of the Badger Team before or after school or call the school office on 0191 222 0259 to book a telephone conversation.	
Homework	Homework will consist of decodable reading books, reading for pleasure books, key words and basic maths skills. Keep an eye on seesaw for reading and maths tasks. If your child misses any of their phonics sounds due to absence, they will be posted on seesaw.	
How to help your child	Please listen to your child read, talk about their books and read to them, practise keywords and continue number recognition and counting forwards, backwards, addition and subtraction. Encourage your child to count in 2s, 5s and 10s in readiness for their times tables.	

Thank you for your support

Mrs Waters