

Year 2 Newsletter

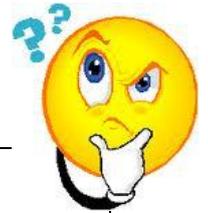
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Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome back to the new school year, we hope you all had an enjoyable holiday. We are really looking forward to working with your child over the next year and hope that they enjoy the range of topics which we will cover in their learning.

Here is an outline of the learning that we will cover in the first half term:



Enquiry Based Curriculum

This half term our topic is Passport to the World. The children will be researching a country in Africa called Mali. They will use what they discover to identify similarities and differences between their lives and the lives of those living in Mali. They will also be looking at the different oceans and continents around the world.

English

In English this half term we will be continuing to improve our sentence writing skills, focusing on spelling, grammar and punctuation. We shall also be continuing to build a sight vocabulary of words which the children can read on sight without the need to blend. We will continue to improve our cursive handwriting. Please help your child at home to practise this skill. Encourage them to write sentences about things that they are interested in. We will be developing our reading skills with guided reading. The children will take a reading book every week to practise at home.



Maths

In Maths this half term our main focus will be place value and securing our counting and ordering skills. We shall be partitioning numbers into tens and units and hundreds, tens and units. We shall be ordering numbers up to 100. Our multiplication focus for this half term will be our 2x, 5x and 10x tables. We shall be counting in steps of 2, 3, 5 and 10. Please practise recalling these times tables at home and ask your children questions to help them become more confident with them.



Home challenges and spellings

There will be one writing challenge and one maths challenge sent home every Friday, to be returned to school by the following Wednesday. Most homework will require some adult input. Spellings will be given out weekly, please practise them with your child.

P.E

We will be doing P.E on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays**. Please make sure that your child has the correct kit. (A white t shirt, blue shorts or jogging bottoms and plimsolls). Please check that your child's name is clearly labelled inside each piece of clothing so that they do not lose them.

Science

In science this half term we will be focusing on our topic- health and growth. We will be finding out about how humans and plants change and develop.



Religious Education

In R.E we are going to be learning about different places of worship. We will be thinking about why places of worship are important. We will also be learning about the similarities and differences between different places of worship.

PSHE

In PSHE we will be focusing on relationships and responsibilities . We will have a weekly circle time with the children.



Computing

In computing we will be using iPads to support our scientific and enquiry skills.

If you would like to find out more about the learning we will be doing in Year 2 and how you can help your child at home please speak to your child's class teacher.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs Narula and Miss Hanford