

Year 2 Newsletter

Autumn 2016.



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. We will be finding out about different countries, oceans and cultures. Running alongside this topic, we will be focussing on different styles of art from across the world.

Literacy

In Literacy this half term we will be following the Read Write Inc scheme. This scheme is designed to support and accelerate children's skills in decoding and interpreting texts as well as focussing on writing. We shall also be continuing to build a sight vocabulary of words which we can read on sight without the need to blend. In year 2 we focus on joining our handwriting. Please help your child at home to practise this new skill. Please show your child how to join their spellings for the week. Use the spellings in sentences and encourage your child to join their handwriting.



Numeracy

In Numeracy 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 3x 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 confident at them.



Home challenges and spellings

There will be a writing challenge every Friday, to be returned to school by the following Wednesday. Most homework will require some adult input.

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- growing. We will be finding out about how humans and plants change and develop. We will grow our own plant.



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 thinking about 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.

To find out more about the learning we will be doing in Year 2 and how you can help your child at home please come to the Year 2 'Meet the teacher' meeting after school on Monday 19th September.

Yours Sincerely,
Miss Bate and Miss Corsan
Year two teachers.