

# Year 2 Newsletter

## Spring 1

### Welcome back!

We hope you have all had a fantastic Christmas break and happy new year to you all!

Polite reminder—please can you ensure your child brings a book bag to school everyday with their link book, reading book and reading log. They also need a named bottle of water everyday as well as named fruit for morning snack time if they do not have school snack. The weather has been very cold recently so please ensure your child has appropriate clothing for outside such as coat, hat, gloves and scarf.

We are continuing to emphasise the importance of reading with the children and develop a love for reading. Please can we remind you to read as often as possible with your child.

Please do continue to ensure your child practices their spellings at home and completes 20 minutes of Maths Whizz each week.

If you have any concerns or worries then please speak to your child's class teacher at the end of the school day.

Thank you for your continued support!

Miss Webster and Miss Reeve

### Maths and Literacy

During Autumn 2 the children will be basing their literacy learning around 'The dark'. We will slowly introduce and read this story a section at a time so please do not read this to your child at home.

Within their writing lessons, the children will learn to retell the story from a different perspective as well as how to create instructional writing.

In Maths, the children will learn all about 2D and 3D shapes. They will use the language of sides, vertices, faces and edges to describe the properties of shapes. Children will also be learning how to complete multiplication and division. They will be taught to understand equal groups and a range of methods to complete both multiplication and division.

### PE

PE will be taught on a Monday and Friday. Please ensure your child wears their PE kit to school. As the weather becomes colder, please ensure they have appropriate PE clothing such as joggers and a jumper as they will be outside for play and lunch times. If their hair is long then it should be tied back and earrings should be removed before coming to school.

## Home Learning

Your child will continue to receive a new reading book at the end of each week, please ensure your child reads this as frequently as possible. Every time your child reads, they will be able to add a marble to a class jar. Once the jar is completely full, the class will have a celebration.

We ask children to participate in maths whizz at home, this is their maths home learning. The expectation is for children to spend at least 20 minutes per week on maths whizz.

Each half term your child will receive a set of spellings to learn. This will include between 10 and 15 common exception words. All children will have received a new list for this half term. Please encourage your child to practise these as often as possible. At the end of the half term your child will be tested on these words before receiving a new list. Please use the spelling leaflet sent home at the start of the year for ideas of how children can practice their spelling.

## Dates for the diary

10/01 - 2:55pm, Read with your child in school

17/01 - Phonics dress up day

22/01 - Year 2 reading café

07/02 - Number day dress up

11/02 - Internet safety day

## Spellings for this half term

fast	plant
last	path
past	bath
father	every
class	everybody
grass	
pass	

## Library books

The library bus will be open after school each Thursday so that you have the opportunity to visit with your child and select a book to borrow.