

Year 2 Newsletter – Autumn

Our PE day is
Wednesday
(tracksuit for winter
please)



Homework:
Friday - spellings
and maths plus
regular reading

This term we have lots of exciting activities planned! We will be looking at different books in English including Silly Billy, Puffin Peter and Meerkat Mail. We will also be looking at volcanoes, doing science experiments, rainforests and studying the country of Guatemala. We have already been so impressed by the children in the short time they have been in Year 2. We can't wait to see how well the children learn and grow until next summer. Here's to a great year! Mr Bacon, Miss Money, Miss Waldron and Mrs Scott.

In English...

We will be working on sentence structures as well as learning to write stories with settings that are familiar to us. We will start with Silly Billy by Anthony Browne followed by using a super book called Meerkat Mail. We will also be writing animal riddles and will be learning how to write information texts. We will have spelling sessions every day. We read as much as possible so ask that **Book Bags come into school every day** to take advantage of any spare reading opportunities or reading buddy sessions and ask that you read at home with at **least 4 times a week**.

In Maths...

Following the mastery maths curriculum, we will be focusing in depth upon place value, addition and subtraction for the entirety of Autumn term. By taking small steps each lesson and making use of a range of concrete manipulatives (e.g. Numicon, Base 10, tens frames), this approach will ensure a depth of understanding before moving on to other areas of mathematics. We learn lots of ways to represent workings-out. Telling the time will be part of everyday and referring to this at home is very helpful, as is starting to work on learning the 2x, 3x, 5x and 10x tables.

In other subjects and opportunities...

In Year 2 we make links to our topics through Geography, History and Science as well as Music, Art and PE. Wherever possible we make our learning creative and practical, including getting outside, making and baking and learning to become independent problem solvers. We will learn about different faiths and festivals in RE and we take part in regular Circle Time sessions to support PATHS and Citizenship. The children will also be able to take part in our school Holly Helpers programme which is a strength of our school community and will have the opportunity to join a range of extracurricular clubs that are open to them. Year 2 take the leading roles in the Nativity performance in December - dates are below.

Dates for your diary:

Key Stage 1 Parent SATS Meeting - Wednesday 26th September - 6.00pm
Parent Inspire Workshop - Tuesday 27th November - 9.15am
Nativity Performances - 11th, 12th, 13th December

Please always check the Friday newsletter for weekly updates 😊