



Year 2 Spring Newsletter

Happy New Year

I hope you have all had a lovely break over the holidays and are ready for another amazing term in year two!

English Our Novel is: **Black Dog** by Levi Pinfold



In English this term we will be writing for a range of purposes and will be focusing on enhancing the effectiveness of our writing by including a range of descriptive elements as well as using a range of punctuation and conjunctions. We will also spend some time this term editing and improving our writing.

Maths Timestables focus: x5



In Maths this term, we will be focusing on multiplication and division, solving money problems and looking at the length and height of objects. We will also revisit answering questions involving addition and subtraction and we will continue to develop our problem solving and reasoning skills.

Wider Curriculum

History- This term, the children will develop their historical skills and understanding when answering the unit's enquiry question 'How did we learn to fly?' They will develop an understanding of how aviation has changed over time and learn about key figures who are remembered for their work in relation to the history of aviation.

Geography- Children will continue to use a range of maps and atlases to locate countries around the world. They will begin to use a range of geographical vocabulary to describe places and give an opinion as to why they think the world is a wonderful place.

Art- The children will be looking at mixed media art. They will be experimenting with colour and exploring how artists use colour and mixed media to create effective pieces of art.

Science- Our science focuses this term are 'Use of Everyday Materials' and 'Life Cycles and Health'. Within these units, the children will look at a range of life cycles and use scientific vocabulary to describe how to stay healthy. They will also identify a range of everyday materials and explain why these materials are best suited for a particular purpose.

DT - Our DT unit of work this term, is all about mechanisms. The children will have the chance to explore a range of working mechanisms and plan, create and evaluate their own fairground wheel.

Computing- We will continue to practise logging on and off efficiently and deepen our understanding of how to use technology safely. We will also be developing our understanding of how 'Word' can be an effective word processing package and also begin to use some of its simple features.

RE- Our first RE unit this term is all about 'Books', the children will be thinking about how books are important to us as well as reflecting on stories from the Bible.. Our virtues to live by this term are; faith, simplicity, love and forgiveness.

Music- Children will learn how to play Indian drums.

PE- Our PE lessons will be on a Tuesday and Wednesday. On a Wednesday the children will develop a range of dance skills and will be creating their own dance routines. On a Tuesday they will develop their understanding of gymnastics with our fully qualified gymnastics coaches.

RHSE – Children will be thinking about why they are special and how they are different to others.

How can I help my child at home?

You can help your child at home by:

- Practising counting in different steps together (2's, 5's, 10's and 3's) and learning number facts/times tables.
- Listening to your child read at home and discussing the story together. Children should read at home every night and we expect their diary to be signed **5 times each week**.
- Learning to read and spell common exception words.
- Practising Spellings and completing homework together.

Notices

PE

PE will be on a Tuesday and Wednesday this half-term. Children should come to school on their PE days in their full school PE kit.

Snack

Snack is £1 per week, payable on a Monday or this can be paid in a block via the school office.

We will continue to offer free fruit during afternoon break. Children are welcome to help themselves to this.

Please ensure your child also has a water bottle in school.

Important Dates

- 6/2/25- Year 2 Trip to Manchester Airport (more information to follow)
- 13/2/25- Y2 Class Assembly at 2.30pm in the school hall

Homework

Children will be given spellings to learn on a Thursday and they will be tested on these weekly on a Thursday. All weekly scores will be recorded in your child's diary.

They will be given a piece of homework to complete every Thursday and this must be returned to school by the following Thursday.

If there is anything that you are unsure of, please feel free to send me a message on Class Dojo ☺

Mrs Johnson, Mrs Brown, Miss Crook and Miss Narsih