

Year 2, Summer Newsletter

Can you believe we are in our final term of Year 2. How it has flown by! The children are making some lovely progress and have a new spring in their step as we make the most of more daylight and the daily pleasures of spring popping up around us.

In the first half of the summer-term we will be exploring all about plants and lifecycles in science. In history we'll learn about the naturalist Maria Sibylla Merian and her entomology work. In Geography we'll consider the habitats within our locality. For art we'll look at art by Maria Sybylla Merian as well as the abstract expressionism of Wassily Kandinsky. In RE we consider what it takes to be a good leader and in ICT we'll look at how to handle data. In PSHE we will discuss where money comes from and how we can use it wisely and in PE we'll be completing games and athletics. Crikey we cram a lot of learning in! Let's cross our fingers for a lovely, warm term.

Just a note...

Please can we request that children are collected as promptly as possible at the end of the day to ensure that staff are free to assist children get to their after-school clubs and to enable our staff to start their own clubs on time. Thank you.

Whilst we will not be doing SAT's in school this term (as there is no longer a statutory requirement for this) we will continue with our own school assessments to support our understanding of your child's progress.

English

This term we will write explanation texts all about our nature and pond area. We will be writing some persuasive adverts using our most interesting vocabulary and inventing our very own minibeasts.

In our final term we'll be having loads of fun writing stories and writing all about pesky Pirates of the past.

Spellings are an ongoing focus throughout school so helping our children become secure in their Year 2 words is really beneficial. We are now supporting the children to spell aloud with letter names too.



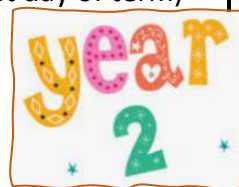
This term we will continue to revise, secure and challenge skills that we have already taught.

We will now begin to introduce the children to addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers using the column method as a quicker calculation method. We will learn more about 2D and 3D shape, explore durations of time and position and direction.

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Dates for your diary...

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday
Monday 6th May – Mental Health Awareness Week
Friday 24th May- Year 2 Assembly (last day of term)
WB- 27th May- Half Term
Monday 10th June- Class Photo Day
Friday 14th June- INSET day
Monday 17th June- INSET day
Friday 21st June, PM- Sports Day
Monday 24th June- ASSESSMENT WEEK (Please ensure you make us aware if your child will not be in school this week- thank you)
Monday 1st July- Pirate Day
Monday 15th July- Drama Experience in school
Wednesday 17th July- Graduation, 9am (approx 1h)
Monday 22nd July- Class Transition Day
Tuesday 23rd July- Final Day in Year 2- Party Day



Reading

Our hope is for your child to learn to love reading, to know and seek out the sort of books that fascinate and excite them and for them to be able to talk with enthusiasm about what they have read.

Thank you for supporting their reading at home and if you have difficulties with reading at home just come and chat to us for advice.

This term we will be giving the children more time to share books within 'book chatter' session.

Home learning

Thank you for helping your child to complete their home learning on a weekly basis. Their Dojo points are building up along with their skills!

Your homework is to tell your child all about the top 5 texts you read or heard as a child. We'll give your child 10 points if they can write a list of them and another 20 points if you post a photo of you both sharing one of the books together.

