

Spring 2017

Year 2 Newsletter

Welcome back!

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year!

ENGLISH

This term our topic will be Fairy Tales. Through this we will be looking at stories such as Jack and the Beanstalk and Little Red Riding Hood. We will be looking at the characters, retelling and comparing the stories and writing our own stories too. We even have our own fairy tales day and are looking forward to seeing the children in costume! On this day we will have a special visit from a theatre company that will be performing 'The Greatest Fairy Tale Ever Told.'

MATHS

This term we will be focusing on;

- counting in 2s, 5s and 10s
- place value
- partitioning numbers
- addition and subtraction
- time

COME AND SEE

- Books
- Thanksgiving
- Opportunities

This term all the Year 2 classes will be inviting parents to their rejoice celebration See Dates for you Diary.

SCIENCE

Our topic will be 'Animals including Humans'. We will be finding out about what living things need to survive. We will also look at the different habitats and will label the different external parts of the male and female body.

P.S.H.E.

This term our focus is;

Drug Education - The children will be able to explain basic reasons why people use drugs, including medicines.

Personal Safety - We will look at the concept of trust and understand different relationships and know what is appropriate within these.

I.C.T.

This term we are looking at algorithms.

GEOGRAPHY

Our topic is 'Maps' During this topic we will be using maps to identify major cities in the UK and we will be locating and naming some famous rivers and mountain ranges around the world.

ART

This term we will be looking at animal prints, focusing on patterns and colours. Using different media, we will try to recreate these prints. After half term we will then move on to studying the artist Leonid Afremov and try to create our own painting in his style.

P.E.

This term we will have gymnastics on a Thursday and Athletics for our 'Fitness Friday.'

PLEASE REMEMBER TO HAVE INDOOR AND OUTDOOR KIT IN SCHOOL EVERY WEEK.

MUSIC

For our music curriculum we follow the school Charanga programme.

HOMWORK

Each Wednesday the children will be bringing home a comprehension task and a piece of number work, to be brought back in the following Wednesday. This will replace the homework mats for this term. Your child will also have their weekly spelling to learn and a new reading book each week.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- Supporting your child with their weekly spellings and homework.
- Listening to your child read their school reading book each week.
- Encourage your child to practise joining their handwriting while keeping their script small and neatly resting on the line.
- Through the use of the internet or other resources you may have at home, explore this terms topics with your child.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

WED 1st FEB 9.15a.m. - 2BW Rejoice celebration

WED 1st FEB 6p.m. - End of Year Assessment Meeting

THURS 2nd MARCH - Fairy Tales fancy dress day

WED 8th MARCH 9.15a.m. - 2C Rejoice celebration

WED 29th MARCH 9.15a.m. - 2MR Rejoice celebration

We would also like to thank you for all your help and support with our Advent Service. We are very proud of our children as we're sure you are too!

Thank you once again for your continued support; we look forward to an exciting 2017, full of fun and learning!

The Year 2 Team