

# Year 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to a new term here in Year 2. I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed celebrating the New Year. We look forward to a great new year and term in Y2 but it will be a very busy one as we have lots of exciting things to complete. It will also be a very hard-working and important term for your child as they will be undergoing preparation for their upcoming SATs. I hope to see your child putting in their best efforts to enable them to succeed which I'm positive they will do. With your continued support at home and school, I am sure your child will achieve their full potential. Thank you for your support.

## RE

In RE this term we will be looking at the traditions and beliefs of the Jewish and Sikhism religion. We will look at their religion and discuss their culture and also think about their special place of worship. Christian celebrations and festivals will also be covered including Epiphany Lent and Easter.

## English

During English this term the children will develop their writing skills of non-fiction texts. We will be exploring writing fact files, newspaper articles and invitations. In order to do this, the children will look at a range of texts such as 'Rosa Parks', 'Fantastically Great Women who changed the World' and 'Greta and the Giants'. In Spring 2, we will look at texts focusing on music linking to our topic 'Beat, Band and Boogie'. We will be spending time focusing on handwriting through Kinetic Letters also.

## Maths

In Maths this term we will be looking at multiplication and division skills. The children have been working hard at learning their 2, 5 and 10 times tables and this knowledge will help them with this unit of work. We will explore arrays, bar models and repeated addition and use these skills to pick apart word problems. We will then move on to look at statistics, length and height, shapes and fractions. This will involve us looking at pictograms, measuring in centimetres and metres, exploring the properties of 3D and 2D shapes and much more!

## PE

We will be having PE on Monday and Wednesday this term.



Children will need to come into school wearing their PE kits (no football shirts/kit will be permitted). Please note that where possible children will participate in PE, and many other lessons outside, a warm coat and appropriate clothing is essential.

## Topic

Our first topic of the Spring term will be 'Movers and Shakers'. Within this project, the children will explore a number of significant people who have changed the world and consider the impact they have had on our lives today. In Spring 2, we will move to our 'Beat, Band and Boogie' topic. This will allow us to work on our singing and musical appreciation. We will look at the beat, tempo and pitch within a range of music.

## Homework

Children's reading books can be changed on Monday and Friday. In order for your child to change their book we require a signature in their reading record from a parent or guardian.

Learning Log tasks will be given out at the start of every half term and will be returned in the final weeks of that half term. 100% effort is required and it will be linked to the topics covered in school.

Spellings will be set on a Friday and tested in school on the following Friday. Your support with homework is invaluable.



If you have any problems or concerns and wish to speak to me, or a member of the Year 2 team, then please contact the school office where we will be able to phone you back. Finally, your support within the current climate is very much appreciated as we endeavour to keep school as 'normal' as possible for all children.

Class teacher: Miss Lockett      LSP's: Miss Hassall and Miss McGuire