

Year 2 Newsletter



Summer 2



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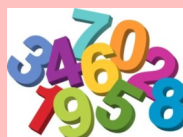
Dear Families,
Welcome back to school; we hope you all had a lovely half-term break.

Our class text is *Fantastic Mr Fox* by Roald Dahl this half term in **English**. The story follows Mr Fox—and his animal friends, who live near three cruel farmers. Although the farmers continually attempt to kill the animals, Mr Fox and his friends can outsmart them and steal all the food they want. *Fantastic Mr Fox* is a story about triumphing over cruel and selfish forces. We will be exploring the importance of family and friends and the power of intelligence in overcoming strength.



In **writing**, we will be producing a recount from a personal experience. Children will write chronologically, using first person and past tense. We will also be writing character descriptions. This unit will allow the children to use all the different descriptive techniques they have learnt so far. We will end the year by exploring humorous poetry and learning how to perform a poem with the appropriate intonation to clarify the meaning and engage the audience.

In **maths**, our first unit is statistics, where we will learn how to interpret and construct simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and simple tables. Our second unit is position and direction, where we will learn mathematical vocabulary to describe position, direction and movement.



In **science**, the children will learn about the planets of our solar system and begin to understand orbit and rotation. Throughout this unit, they will explore the stars and constellations and the different formations they make in the sky. The children will also learn about space exploration focusing on various missions, and will understand the importance of the International Space Station.

In **art**, we will introduce murals and tapestries. This unit will study a range of famous examples of frescoes and compare tapestry work created throughout different centuries. The children will then work together to create a large underwater sea scene by using mono-printing techniques and weaving. They will also use their knowledge of composition to create their sea scene successfully.

The Year 2 team

Important Dates

- 21 Jun - Class photos
- 5 Jul - Sports Day
- 12 Jul - Transition Morning
- 13 Jul - Transition Day
- 18 Jul - Summer Fete
- 21 Jul - Moving up assembly

Home Learning

Spellings - weekly, it is better to practise all week to embed in the long term memory.



Reading - please note in your child's reading record. Include any books that you are reading with your children.

Maths— Practise your times tables on TTRockstars



Hand in homework on **Wednesdays**.

Home Reading Challenge



Children who have 25+ reads noted in their reading records over the half-term will receive a book mark reward. The child with the highest number of reads from each class will receive a star reader badge.

PE

This half term we will be focusing on Athletics and Target Games.

Mrs Ewens & Ms Ellis class will have P.E. on a Wednesday and Friday

Miss McDougall will have P.E. on a Monday and Friday

PE will often be outside so please ensure your child arrives in their PE kit jogging bottoms / top, white t-shirt and trainers.



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