

Year 2 Newsletter



Autumn 2



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Dear Families,

Welcome back to school. We hope you all had a spooky, spectacular half-term break.

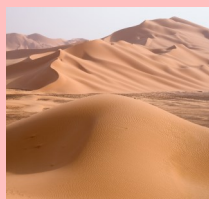
This second half term in **English**, our class text is ***Paddington–The Original Story of the Bear from Darkest Peru by Michael Bond***. By the end of the term, children will know that summaries can take many forms: written notes, tables and pictures and can use a sketch to summarise a section of text. They will also know that emotions can be conveyed through facial expressions and be able to infer characters' feelings through gestures and facial expressions.

In **writing**, we will be starting the term writing formal invitations. In this unit, we will learn to use command sentences and vocabulary for impact. In our second unit, we will be writing stories from other cultures. We will be embedding the skill of writing in the third person, past tense and using adjectives.



In **maths**, the children will explore strategies, such as their known number facts within ten, that can be applied when adding and subtracting a single-digit number to/from a two-digit number. They will also build on their knowledge of partitioning and recombining single-digit numbers. We will also be starting our multiplication unit, where children will be learning strategies such as equal grouping to support their understanding.

In **RE** this term, children will be learning about Christianity, with the theme of Christmas and Jesus as a gift from God. Looking at the Christmas story, children will enquire as to 'Why do Christians believe God gave Jesus to the world?' By the end of this term, children will be able to reflect on the Christmas story and the reasons for Jesus's birth.



In **science**, this half-term is all about living things and their environments. The children will explore a range of habitats, such as rainforests and deserts. They will look at the different living conditions within these habitats to see how they can support animals to live there. We will also explore outside and investigate our local habitats.



The Year 2 Team

Important Dates

Tue 14 Nov - Flu Vaccinations

Fri 1 Dec - Christmas craft afternoon with parents

Tues 12 Dec - Christmas production to parents

Mon 18 Dec - Christmas Dinner

Tue 19 Dec - Christmas disco and parties

Wed 20 Dec - Christmas Jumper day

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 book 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 bookmark reward. The child with the highest number of reads from each class will receive a star reader badge.

PE

This half term in PE our units are **fitness** and **gymnastics**.

PE is on a **Monday** and **Friday**. Please come into school wearing your PE kits on these days. A plain white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers.



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