

Year 2 Newsletter



Autumn 1



Dear Families,

Welcome back to school; we hope you all had a lovely summer break.

This half term in **reading**, our class texts are: 'Grandad's Island' by Benji Davies, 'The Goose that Laid the Golden Egg', which is one of Aesop's Fables, and 'Mrs Noah's Pocket' by Jackie Morris. We will learn that information can be retrieved from both text and illustrations, and inferences can be made from gaps in the information. We will also retrieve actions from the text to perform them.

In **writing**, we will learn how to use different descriptive techniques to create character descriptions, explore a range of poems to develop vocabulary, retell simple narratives, and write in the third person and in the past tense.

In **maths**, the children will begin with composition of numbers and place value where they will strengthen their understanding of tens and ones. They will also



be developing their skills to read and write numbers as words up to 100. This knowledge will be applied to addition and subtraction calculations using numbers up to 20 and crossing 10, demonstrating the practical application of their learning. They will explore different representations and strategies to find the most efficient method to complete the calculations successfully.

In **history**, we will learn about the Romans. We will examine closely how the Roman army was organised and evaluate what made them so successful. We will also learn about the significant rebellion led against the Romans by the Celtic queen of the Iceni, Boudicca. The children will also analyse continuity and change in life in Britain before, during and after the Roman invasion.



In **geography**, the children will develop their knowledge of information provided by maps and build on their understanding of symbols and directional language. They will have opportunities to practice their map-drawing skills. The children will also explore the human and physical features of the local area.

The Year 2 team

Important Dates

2 & 3 Oct - Parents Evening

3 Oct - Photo day

14 Oct - Assessment Week

Home Learning

Weekly homework is set every **Thursday** and is due back into class on the following **Tuesday**.



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. Library sessions are on Fridays.



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 in PE our units are Fundamentals and Team Building.

PE days: Monday and Thursday.

Please ensure your child wears their PE kit (white t-shirt, black jumper/hoodie, black shorts or jogging bottoms and trainers).



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