

# Year 2 Newsletter

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## Welcome

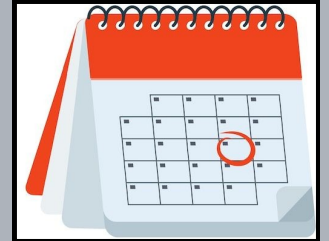
Dear families,

Happy new year! We hope you had a festive Christmas and a sparkly new year. We have an exciting half-term full of learning which will be outlined in this newsletter.

From the Year 2 team.



## Important Dates



- 12/01/26 (and every Monday) - Little Riders starts.
- 12/01/26—Virtual tri Golf tournament (PE kit)
- 13/02/26—end of spring 1.

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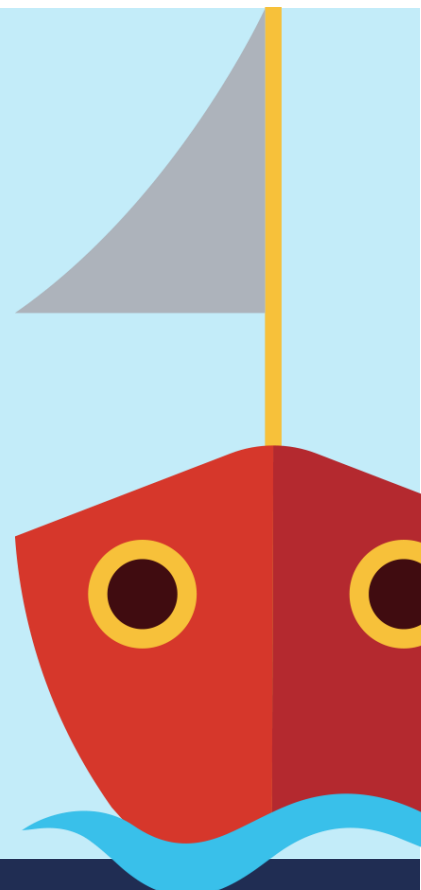
### Geography:

The children will be learning about the British Isles. Children will look at the link between the geography of a place and its human features. They will learn about the countries of the British Isles and will become familiar with key geographical features of the British Isles.

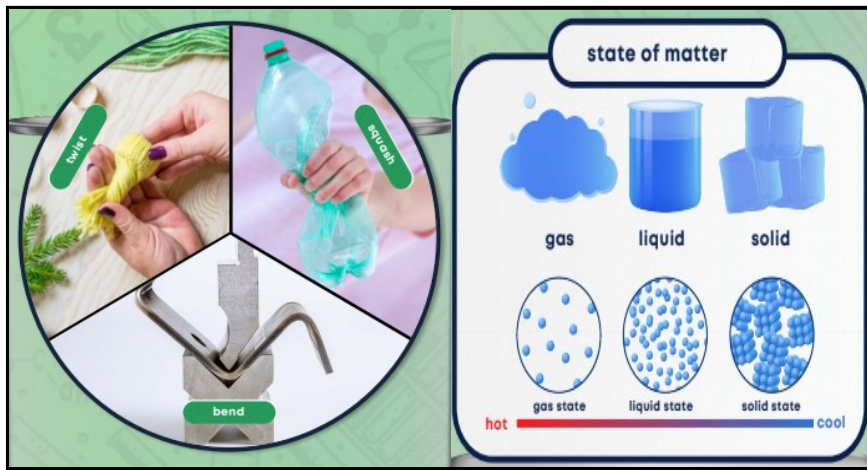


### History:

The children will be exploring powerful voices; they will be introduced to key figures from the past and today who have fought for human rights. We will look at the stories of some significant people who were not born into powerful positions but were able to use their voices to influence change, such as Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King and Greta Thunberg.



More information can be found online at [www.raleighinfant.co.uk](http://www.raleighinfant.co.uk)



## Science

The children will be learning about materials and matter. Throughout this unit, they will develop the understanding that all materials are used for a purpose based on their properties. The children will also study George de Mestral to find out how he developed Velcro. They will also explore how solid objects can change shape through actions such as bending, twisting and squeezing. The children will also have an opportunity to investigate a range of different liquids.

## Key Information



**Spellings:** Weekly, it is better to practice all week to embed in the long term memory.

**Maths:** Use TTRS to practise 2, 5, 10 and 3 times table to develop automaticity.

**Reading:** Please note in your child's reading record. Include any book that you are reading with your children. Library sessions are on **Monday's**.

### Home Learning:

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

### PE:

- Day: Monday
- Please ensure your child wears their PE kit (white t-shirt, black jumper, black shorts or jogging bottoms).

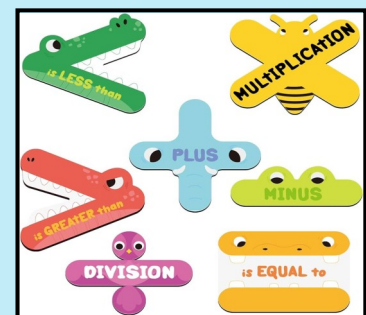
**PSHE:** We will be focusing on; achieving realistic goals, staying healthy to achieve goals, perseverance and strengths, learning with others, group co-operation and sharing success.

## English



In reading, our class texts will be 'Coming to England' by Floella Benjamin, 'The Street Beneath my Feet' by Charlotte Guillain and 'The Quangle Wangle's Hat' by Edward Lear. In writing, we will produce a formal invitation and a non-chronological report focusing on different sentence types, subordinating conjunctions, technical vocabulary and a range of descriptive techniques.

## Maths



Children will continue exploring their two, five and ten times tables. They will learn that a multiplication equation is a representation of a number of groups, the group size and overall number of objects. We will then begin an introduction to division where division equations can be used to represent grouping problems.



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