



Year 2 Spring Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to wish all parents and carers a Happy New Year. We hope everyone had a peaceful and relaxing Christmas. The Year 2 team would like to thank you so much for all the cards and gifts we received. It really is very kind of you and we do really appreciate it. The children worked very hard last term and have started the new term with a good attitude to their learning. Keep it up children.

What the Children will be learning

In English sessions children will be using a range of texts to stimulate writing for different purposes. Some of our key texts will include; Lost and Found (the production we saw before Christmas), Little People Big Dreams – Ernest Shackleton and Lets save Antarctica. We will use these texts to support both writing and guided reading. Children will be developing their comprehension skills and looking at how to write stories and diary entries.

In Maths this term we will begin with a focus on money! Before we then move on to looking at multiplication and division. As we near the end of the term there will be some Easter themed shape, space and measure. We will continue to revisit place value and the four operations throughout the term in a variety of contexts.

In Science we will be exploring animals and the classification of animals. Our Geography and History are closely linked this term as we decide “Would you rather live in a hot or cold place?” and look at Ernest Shackleton’s expedition to support us with our decision! During RE sessions we will be thinking about how we care for the planet and the way this is reflected in different faiths. We are also going to visit Cheadle Mosque to support our learning about “Who is God?” and to help us understand that God may not be the same for everyone. We are excited to follow a new computing programme and during these sessions children will be learning about computer networks along with how to word process.

Upcoming Events

RE Theme Day - Hinduism

Friday 26th January

SATS Information Evening

Wednesday 31st January 5:00pm

Internet Safety Day

Tuesday 6th February

Term Ends

Friday 9th February 3:15pm

Term Begins

Monday 19th February 8:45am

Parent Teacher Consultations

Tuesday 20th & Wednesday 21st February

Visit to Cheadle Mosque

Thursday 22nd February

World Book Day

Thursday 7th March

Year 2 Class Assembly

Monday 18th March

Easter Service

Thursday 28th March 9:15am

Term Ends

Thursday 28th March 3:15pm

PE

PE kits need to be in school for the whole of the term. If children attend a sports club please send a separate kit for this, so we can ensure they always have their PE kit when needed. Indoor PE takes place on a Tuesday afternoon and outdoor PE is on a Wednesday morning with the Sports Coaches. It would be advisable for children to have a hoodie, joggers and trainers for these sessions; these should be black in line with the uniform policy. Children should also not be wearing earrings during PE, it would be helpful if these could be removed the night before or morning of PE unless your child is confident and comfortable in removing their own earrings.

Water Bottles & Snack

All children still receive fruit daily, provided by the government. The fruit is free of charge and choices are varied. It is not necessary for children to have a snack from home. Water bottles need to be in school every day and should only contain water. Children have access to water stations throughout the day so can fill their bottles as needed.

Homework

We will continue to set homework on Mathematics and via the homework book where you will find weekly spellings and activities to consolidate the learning that has taken place in school. Homework will be set on a Friday and is due in by Wednesday. Any homework handed in late may not be marked.

Regular reading assessments will continue to take place to ensure children are reading the correct book. Books will be changed on specific days, based on children's colour groups, **reading books should be in school every day**. Please ensure children are reading with an adult at home at least 4 times a week, this is in line with school policy.

If you do have any questions regarding homework, please do not hesitate to ask!

If you wish to contact us regarding your child, feel free to put a note in their reading record, or make an appointment to see us. Alternatively, you can contact us via email on rachael.allen@st-johns.stockport.sch.uk.

Thank you for your support,

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