# Year 2 Spring Newsletter

**General Reminders:** 

#### PE

PE will be on a Tuesday and Thursday. All children will need: Blue/black shorts, a white t-shirt and pum

ps or trainers. In colder weather they will need blue/black jogging bottoms and sweatshirt and pumps. We ask the children to keep their pumps in school in their lockers. Children should not wear jewellery during PE sessions The children are asked to come into school wearing their PE kit on these days.

### Homework

A new homework grid will be sent home with a variety of activities for the children to choose to complete over the half term. Homework books should be sent into school on a Wednesday and we will share their homework and give DOJO points. In addition to this a reading comprehension activity will be sent home to complete. Homework is a vital component to learning, so please encourage/support your child with completing their homework. If there are any issues or questions, please feel free to send us a Dojo.

#### **Water Bottles**

It is important that your child brings a water bottle into school so that they are kept hydrated throughout the school day. Please ensure that the water bottles are clearly labelled and contain only water.



In your classroom this year will be:

Mrs Dooley - Class teacher (Mon-Wed)

Mrs Mahmood – Class teacher (Thur-Fri)

Mrs Walton- HL Teaching Assistant

1:1 LSA: Mrs Spillman, Miss Betts, Mrs Setton and Mrs Al-Yassin

## This term we will be exploring the UK and our topic tile is "What do we need to know about the UK?

We hope you and your families enjoyed the Christmas Break and are looking forward to the new Spring term.

School gates open from 8.45am - 9am.

Year 2 finish at 3.15pm and should be collected from the second set of double doors in the playground

We have an exciting and engaging topic planned this term. Our topic has a geography focus, and the children will learns about the four countries and capital cities of the UK. In history, our focus is on local history and the children will learn about why Stockport is famous for hats. To enhance their learning, a trip is planned to the Hat Museum in Stockport.More details will follow aout this trip.

In English the children will begin with instructional writing and will then use drama and role play to explore the text, "The Queen's Handbag" to write a narrative. In our Read, Write, Inc storybook sessions the children will continue to develop their phonics, handwriting and comprehension strategies through sharing a variety of storybooks.

In maths this term the children will be focusing on:

- Multiplication and division
- Measurement
- Position and direction

In art our focus will be on plants and the children will undertake some observational drawings of plants and then explore the work of the sculpturist Judy Pfaff and create their own 3D forms using wire, cardboard, colour and pattern. In computing the children will learn about internet safety and explore what websites are appropriate for children. They will move on to programming using robots to give instructions and create Algorithmns. In PE, they will continue to practice mastering basic movements and develop their balance, agility and co-ordination in gymnastics and dance.

In Science our topic is animals including humans. We will looking at health, diet and offsprings of animals including humans. In music we are are looking at the genre of rock music. "I Wanna Play In A Band" is a Rock song written especially for children. In this song the children will learn about the rock genre and will sing and play together in an ensemble.

In RE our topic is 'How and why do we celebrate special and sacred time?'.We will consider the importance and value of celebration and remembrance in children's own lives.In PSHE, our focus topic is relationships, bullying and friendships.

We are really looking forward to this year, if you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us.