

YEAR TWO

Spring Term 2

This newsletter is to let you know what your child's class will be learning about this half term.

English In our English lessons we shall be basing our work around the book 'Wild' by Emily Hughes. We will write a setting and a character description and we will re-write the story explaining what happened to Wild and how she felt. We will also write about habitats linked to our science work and write a recount of our trip to Cromwell Bottom. We will use a range of punctuation and focus on feeding back and up-levelling our work. Group reading sessions will take place 4 times a week to ensure children have the skills to answer a range of questions and complete various reading activities, both fiction and non-fiction.

<u>Maths</u> In our maths work we will be focusing on multiplication and division. We will use the 2x, 5x and 10x tables and look at the corresponding division facts. We will look at fractions of amounts and shapes and recognise half, quarter and three-quarters. We will also look at time and look at reading time on analogue and digital clocks. We will also look at arithmetic and practise answers questions at pace, mentally to solve quick calculation.

<u>PE</u> Days will be 2A: Monday and Tuesday. 2S: Tuesday and Wednesday. If your child wears earrings, these need to be removed for PE. If they are new piercings, they will need to be covered for the day of PE. Warm clothes would be good this half-term as we will still be going outside!

<u>Art/DT</u> This half term our focus will be on our habitats work, linked to our science topic. We will study animals in their habitats and focus on mini-beasts in micro-habitats.

<u>COMPUTING</u> This half-term's work is based on spreadsheets. The children will taught how to use simple spread sheets and how to format cells and create a variety of functions in cells to add amounts and dhow money. They will present data and graphs using the spread sheets.

<u>WIDER CURRICULUM</u> During this half-term children will learn about Living Things and their Habitats and Our place in the UK. We will study animals in habitats and learn about how animals adapt to their environments. We will conduct some scientific enquiry and learn about food chains and how animals survive. We need to know the four countries of the UK and their capital cities and we need to learn about human and physical features. We will learn how to use compass points and use aerial images to study the area around us and in the UK.

 \underline{RE} How we look after the planet. Pupils will learn about the views of different religions/beliefs regarding the origins of the world. They will consider the ways in which religious and non-religious individuals and organisations show care and concern for the planet.

<u>Music</u> Our music scheme is called Charanga. Our unit this half term is 'Zootime'. Children will learn an integrated approach to music where games, the interrelated dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc), singing and playing instruments are all linked.

Water bottles-It is important for children to keep hydrated throughout the day. Please bring your child's <u>named</u> water bottle into school so they can have a drink. Please ensure this is just water or flavoured water. These will be sent home at the end of each week.

<u>Uniform-</u> Please ensure your child's clothes are named so they are not easily lost! We have lots of jumpers unnamed and unclaimed on our lunch trolley!