



Year Two Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Year 2! We hope you all had a lovely summer break!
We are looking forward to seeing the children on Monday.

Below you will find some useful information about Year 2:

Each Friday we will be sending out a weekly newsletter with useful information and these will be added onto the website. Occasionally we will take photos of children and their work and will try to update the Year 2 blog as often as possible.

This half term our topic is Habitats. The week beginning the 12th of September we will be making animal puppets and their habitats, so we would like children to bring in a box (shoe boxes, cereal boxes or any box of a similar size). We will also need other 'junk', such as yoghurt pots, plastic bottles, cardboard tubes, etc. Children can also bring in special items like ribbons, buttons, shiny tape, cotton wool and fabric. Obviously, we have many items in school, but if children want to bring something specific, that is fine. Please put these items in a named plastic bag. In Literacy we will be learning about libraries and at the end of the half term, we are aiming to take the children to visit Ely Library.

If your child is in Mrs. Fretwell's/ Mrs. Grant's class, Mrs. Grant teaches on Mondays and Tuesdays and Mrs. Fretwell teaches Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. They will cover each other's PPA on a Wednesday.

Mrs. Ban's PPA will be covered by Mrs. Sutcliffe on Fridays.

PE days for Mrs Ban's class will be Mondays (outdoor) and Wednesdays (indoor).

PE days for Mrs Fretwell's/Mrs. Grant's class will be Tuesdays (outdoor) and Thursdays (indoor).

Children can come to school wearing their PE kits (Green shorts, yellow T-shirts and for colder weather black or grey jogging bottoms and the school cardigan/jumper.) Please remove all jewellery and watches. Long hair should be tied up.

Literacy The books that we are going to work from this half term are: The Library	Numeracy We will be working on Place Value. We will be doing lots of counting (forwards and backwards)	DT: Making our own animals and their habitats. RE:
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Lion, The Everywhere Bear, the Detective Dog.	as well as reading, writing and ordering numbers. We will be looking at numbers written in words and learning how to spell some of them.	Harvest PSHE: Beginning and belonging Science: Animals and their habitats Geography: Seasons, UK and capital cities, maps and keys.
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Homework:

Your child will bring home a homework book. Please complete homework in the book and make sure your child hands it in no later than Wednesday each week. Marked books will be returned to them on Friday each week.

We would like to see the Literacy and Numeracy tasks completed each week.

There will also be some optional homework tasks based on our wider curriculum for those children who feel they wish to do more.

Reading: Please read with your child regularly.

This year we have decided to do things a little differently. Children will be allowed to change their reading book every day if they wish and we will be sending out a reading chart for parents to sign once a school book has been read. (Children will only be allowed to change their books, once the chart has been signed by an adult). If children read chapter books, each chapter can be signed off. Once a week your child will read in a small group with a teacher and this will be recorded in their reading chart. The charts will be sent home in a plastic wallet and should be kept in their bookbag.

Certificates will be given when children have read 50, 100, 150, etc books.

Spelling: This year children will have a weekly spelling test on Fridays. Their spellings will link to the work they have done in Phonics. The first set of spellings will be set next week - Friday 9th of September and children will be tested the following Friday, 16th of September.

Have a restful weekend and we will see you next week.

Year 2 team.