



Year 2 Newsletter

Spring Term 2018 – 2nd half



Welcome back!

Welcome back! We hope you have enjoyed your half term and the children are feeling refreshed and ready to learn! Any concerns or questions please feel free to speak to Mrs Hall (Monday, Tuesday) and Mrs Pickles (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) .

P.E. Kits

Please make sure your child has their named P.E. kit in school at all times. It can stay in school until the end of this half term. The children will be doing hockey and multi-skills this term. P.E. will continue to be every Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Once the weather improves we will be outside. Your child will need jogging bottoms, a fleece or warm jumper and outdoor trainers.

Topics

The main topic this half term is based around 'What makes us unique?' We will be reading lots of fiction books about
Science – Keeping our bodies healthy. We will be investigating different foods and what makes them healthy or unhealthy. We will find out how to look after our bodies.
Art and Design –We will be baking bread and weaving bread baskets.
Geography – We will find out about our local area and make maps.

Reading Rewards

We will be continuing the reading at home reward system where your child will get a dojo for every four reads at home. Please make sure you complete the reading records which will be checked on a Monday. The children can change their books as regularly as they require. We will ensure that there is time every morning to change books.

Homework

Weekly expectations are:

- 10 minutes each night reading their reading book, a newspaper, a magazine or Kindle,
- 10 minutes on spellings (3 times per week)
- If you have reached the end of the 'Learn-Its' for year 2 it would be beneficial to do 5 minutes each night on 2s, 5s and 10s times tables, including counting forwards and backwards from 0 and counting in 3s.
and, when appropriate,
- Research as part of our topic.

Spellings

Spellings will be 'tested' every Monday and new spellings for the week will be given. The children need to be able to read and spell the common exception words for year 2 so please try to practise these regularly. The other words will be linked to the spelling scheme.