# Year Two Newsletter

Welcome back!

We hope you all had a good summer holidays, we know they probably feel like a distant memory by now.

We are all looking forward to the exciting year ahead.

Please find below a summary of the activities we will be doing during the term. If you have any questions please send us a message on Dojo or write a short note in the planner. Our Year Two teams are:

2MH- Mrs. Murrell and Mrs. Hood, supported by Miss. Stratford 2MP and Mrs. Panting, supported by Mrs. Butterworth.

# **English**

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In our English lessons this term, we will be studying; character descriptions, simple retelling of a narrative, poetry, stories form other cultures and writing formal invitations. The teaching of Phonics takes place daily and we are currently recapping Phase 5. Handwriting is taught daily to support the development of cursive handwriting. Children in Year Two are expected to begin to join their writing. Whole Class Reading sessions will support the children to become more effective and fluent readers, and strengthen their comprehension skills.

#### Art/DT

Our primary focus in Art this term is drawing, we will be exploring different techniques of mark making and then moving towards painting.

In Design Technology, we will be looking at different textiles.

# **Mathematics Mastery**

This year we will work on numbers within 100 and adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers, before focusing on word problems. Please continue to support your child's learning at home by telling the time and discussing shapes and money. Your child has been introduced to Times Tables Rockstars, please can you help them use this at home. The login details are at the front of the Planners.

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## <u>Project</u>

In Geography this term we are focusing on Physical and Human features within our locality.

We will also be finding out about hot and cold areas of the world and comparing and contrasting them.

In History we are studying The Great Fire of London, finding out what London was like in 1666, how the fire started and how it spread.

# **Spellings**

Weekly spellings will be stuck in planners on a **Thursday**, and there will be a spelling test the following **Thursday**. Please continue to support your child with learning these spellings at home.

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#### Homework

Weekly homework will be handed out on a **Friday**. Please aim to complete and return the homework by the following **Wednesday**.



#### PE

Our PE lessons will be on **Tuesday**. Please ensure that your child has the correct Place Farm PE kit <u>clearly labelled with their name on</u> and appropriate footwear. Please ensure hair is tied back and earrings are removed.



### Reading

As you are aware, children in Year Two are sent home from school with a reading book. Please read these books (and books from home) with your child as often as possible because it really does help to improve their reading! Please write all books that your child reads in their planners, whether they are from home, school or elsewhere! When your child has read the book confidently, please remind them to put their book in the tray in the classroom ready for changing or for them to take an Accelerated Reader Quiz.



## Water Bottles

Please send your child into school with a water bottle that is clearly labelled with their name and class.

Mrs Murrell, Mrs Hood & Mrs Panting