

Year Two Parent Information.

Summer 2017

Dear Parents

Welcome back to school for the Summer Term. I hope you and your families all had an enjoyable break. This newsletter is to inform you of all the exciting things we have planned for this term.

Topics

For the Summer Term the main topics that we will cover are:

Literacy – Star Author: Jeremy Strong.

We are continuing 'The Power of Reading' Scheme. All our literacy work will be based around a key text for half a term. We will be focusing on extending noun phrases and including different types of sentences in our writing. These include questions, statements, commands and exclamation sentences.

To support your child's reading and familiarity with different types of text please use your books at home and local libraries to focus on extended stories, poems, report writing both chronological and non-chronological.

Spellings - Please continue to practise the common exception words. All pupils have a copy in their reading folders.

Numeracy – The end of year 2 objectives can be found on the school website but there will be a particular focus this term on fractions and division.

Please help your child continue to learn their times tables facts for the 2,5 and 10 times tables including the inverse division facts.

Religion – Eastertide, The Church is Born, Judaism

History – The Great Fire of London

Science – Living Things and their Habitats, Plants

Art – Mother Nature - William Morris

DT – Vehicles

Computing – Repeating Patterns

Personal, Social, Health and Wellbeing (PSHE) – Relationships and Changes.

PE – Athletics and Field Games. PE lessons will take place on Tuesdays and Fridays.

All P.E kits should be labelled and be in school on these days. Please ensure your child's PE kit contains shorts, t-shirt, tracksuit, plimsolls and trainers. Pupils need one pair of trainers for outside and one pair of plimsolls for PE inside. Please keep trainers in a named carrier bag.

Homework

All children have been given a homework timetable for the Summer Term. Homework is set on Monday and is due in on Friday. Please sign the contact sheet in the front of the homework book.

The children will be tested on their spellings each Friday.

Mathletics tasks will be set on Monday.

Reading: Books and reading record folders need to be returned every day to school.

Please record when your child has read their book in the yellow reading record. All pupils should read at least 4 times per week.

Early Warning! – For class experiments your child will need a 2litre drink bottle made from clear plastic. For a homework activity you will need some cress seeds. Further information will be given at a later date.

Show and Tell

Pupils can bring in an item to show on a Friday. It should not be too big, fragile or valuable.

Cooking

Year 2 pupils will take it in turns to cook on Thursdays. Please advise of any special dietary requirements and/or allergies.

Helpers

Some parents have kindly volunteered to listen to pupils read. I would be very grateful if this could continue and if there were any other parents available to listen to pupils read or help with the cooking activities, please let me know. Many thanks.

Trips

There is a Key Stage1 trip planned after Half Term.

To support your child's topic work in history you may wish to visit The Monument in London which marks the starting place of the Great Fire of London. The Fire Brigade Museum is located in Lambeth and may be worth a visit. An alternative place to visit is St Paul's Cathedral where children can follow a trail and find out about the fire. A booklet can be downloaded from their website.

Important Dates

Please refer to Mrs Boshers' list of dates for information regarding forthcoming events.

As you can see another busy term is planned. I would like to take this opportunity to say how proud I am of all the pupils and how delighted I am with their progress. They have been consistently working hard throughout the year. Keep it up Year 2!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Wishing everyone a great Summer Term!

Many Thanks.

Mrs Wilson.