

Class 2 Summer 2 Newsletter



Welcome to our final class newsletter of the school year - and congratulations to all of the children in Years 1 and 2 as you have almost finished your first complete school year! We have a busy and exciting few weeks ahead, with lots of special events including our first whole school visit to the beach and Sports Day.

Miss Gallagher will continue to teach Maths and English to Y1 until the end of her placement this Friday; she has been a fantastic student and we all wish her the very best of luck in her teaching career.

English

Our books this term will continue to be linked to the sea, summer holidays and all things nautical. We will be designing leaflets, writing postcards and composing poetry.

Y1 will have now completed their individual Phonics Screens so we will be building on this knowledge over the next few weeks and Y2 will be consolidating their grammar, spelling and punctuation as they prepare to move into KS2.

Maths

Y1 will continue to focus upon number bonds and basic skills this half-term, as well as developing their understanding of position, movement and direction. Y2 will practise, consolidate and extend their computation skills: addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Science

The focus in Science this half-term is habitats and how living things are adapted to where they live. The children will be introduced to simple food chains. Miss Jewett will be teaching this subject.

DT

In DT we will be designing and making our own model vehicles, investigating which materials are best for making these vessels and exploring how well they travel on land and water! We will also be making habitat boxes this half-term so please send in a shoe-box for your child to use if possible.

RE

Miss Jewett will continue to teach Class 2 about Buddhism, with the main focus being how Buddhists live their lives according to their beliefs.

Music

This half-term we will be singing together as we practise for the Armed Forces Day later this month in Byers Green (more details will follow). We will also be learning traditional sea shanties and other ocean-related songs.

ICT

This half-term the children will learn how to use technology purposefully, for example by word-processing the leaflets they will have written in English.

PE

Our PE days continue to be *Mondays* and *Fridays*. Miss Jewett will teach PE on a Monday and a professional coach will be delivering football skills on a Friday. *Please ensure that your child wears their PE kit on the allocated days.*

Spanish

In Spanish we will continue to explore simple phrases and words which would be useful for a holiday in Spain!

Geography

We will be exploring holiday destinations in the UK and outside of Europe which will certainly get us into the mood for our own summer holidays!

Homework / reading books

Spelling lists have already been given out; as always, spelling tests will be completed on a Monday. Homework will mostly be completed online using Classroom Secrets and Y2 children can access TT Rockstars using their online codes.

Please read to your child, sign the reading diary and return books before a Thursday if possible; my aim is to change a child's book the day it is brought back. Library books must be returned on a Thursday.

As the weather gets warmer (hopefully!) please ensure that your child brings a water bottle every day and, if necessary, please apply sun cream before coming to school (some brands last all day).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all of your support since September; we have had a fun, successful year and I am so impressed with the progress the children have made despite having had so much disruption in the first years of their education. They are a credit to you all and I have loved teaching them.

Miss Forth