

Year 2

Spring Newsletter 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

We hope that you had a lovely break and are excited for the new year!

In **English** this term we will be focusing on fairy tales, persuasive writing, recounts and letters. We will be recreating well known stories like Little Red Riding Hood and Hansel and Gretel with our own personal twists. We will be looking at improving our handwriting, spelling, punctuation and use of grammatical devices such as conjunctions (because, but, if, when, so, and).



We will continue with our daily **guided reading** sessions focusing heavily on retrieval, inference and vocabulary. As always, we will continue to send home texts to read at home. Please remember to read with your child at least five times a week with a written comment in their reading record. This is monitored weekly and for every 5 reads completed your child will be entered into the class raffle which may lead to them winning a prize at the end of the term! We have also started a new reading challenge that will challenge children to read 30 different books of their choice before Easter!



In **Maths** this term we will be covering a range of topics including 2D and 3D shapes and their properties, fractions, volume and capacity and money. The children will continue to practice their arithmetic skills daily through fluency sessions. Please remember to use TTRockstars and Numbots regularly to increase fluency and speed with division and multiplication facts.

In **Science** we will be learning all about materials and their properties. The children will explore and investigate the purpose of materials and what products they are best suited to. We will be doing lots of investigations to find out more about everyday materials.

In **Geography** we will be using our map skills! The children will learn all about aerial view maps, compass points and the UK and its capital cities.

PE this term will focus on dance and Multiskills. Our PE days are **Tuesday and Wednesday**. Please ensure that your child always has a full kit in school and earrings are removed. Girls who wear tights often will need spare socks for PE.



In **Art** the children will be learning all about collage through the artist Matisse. In **DT** the children will be developing their egg cracking skills and learning to make toast.

In **Computing** we will be focussing on programming, algorithms and debugging. In **PSHE** we will be discussing our dreams and goals and in Spring 2 we will look at Healthy me. In **RE** we will be learning about Islam and prayer at home followed by the Christian story of Easter.



Home Learning

Home Learning is an expectation in Year Two. Home Learning will be set every Monday and due the following Monday. Children will be tested on their spellings each Monday so please do let us know if you have any issues. We ask for 5 weekly reads also. This can be the school scheme books or a book of your choice from home or the library. Please record these reads in the diary.

Please let me know if you would like any help with this.

We look forward to an exciting term ahead!

Many thanks,

Miss Head & Mrs Howard