

Year 2 Newsletter - Summer 1 - April 2021



Welcome to Year 2 – Summer Term 1

Our topic this week back is “*Dungeons and Dragons*”.

In **English:**

We will continue our work on spelling and grammar by revising grammatical terms, such as nouns, suffixes, prefixes. Our writing will focus upon the description of a dragon using vocabulary and phrases to improve the composition of a paragraph. We will then be writing a non – fiction report using historical facts and information learnt about castles.

In **Mathematics:**

Next, we will be learning about division and linking this to our prior learning of multiplication and times tables’ knowledge and also making the link to fractions.

This term we will also be re-visiting partitioning of two digit numbers into tens and units; adding and subtracting multiples of tens and units to and from a two-digit number and demonstrating this on an unstructured number line. The children will then learn how to use the bubble method to add and subtract two 2-digit numbers. They will apply this knowledge to solving number problems using concrete objects and pictorial strategies.

In **RE**

We will end this half term with RE focusing on Water as a theme for teaching the concept of Ritual for both Christians and Hindus. The study on the River Ganges and how Hindus use the river and the ceremony of Baptism in a Christian church.

In **Art and DT:**

We will be designing making a dragon’s eye from clay. We will also be investigating the best ways to join material, designing, and making a knight’s shield using this information.

How you can help your child at home:

Reading: We hope you are finding our weekly reading stickers useful as a tool for helping your child learn specific skills. Please continue to listen to child read their coloured book banded books and ask them of questions about what they have read.

Spellings: Keep practising those spellings. We are seeing a big improvement in their work.

Mathematics: Reciting their 2, 5 and 10 times tables and asking the corresponding division facts e.g. How many 5s in 15?



Dates for your diary

May

Monday 3rd May

Bank Holiday (School Closed)

Monday 10th May

School Photographer – Class Photos

Wednesday 12th May

Outdoor learning Day

Monday 31st May to Friday 4th

June

Half-term (School Closed)

June

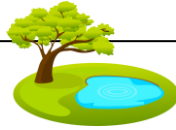
Monday 7th June

INSET Day (School Closed)

Belongings

Please ensure your child’s name is on all of their clothing, lunch boxes and PE kits. We have items of unnamed clothing that have gone missing and have wasted valuable learning time looking for clothes.

Outdoor Learning Day



Year 2 will be having an outdoor learning day on **Wednesday 12th May**. Children can wear leggings/tracksuit trousers and trainers or wellies with a warm coat suitable for the weather. School sweatshirts/cardigans should be worn on top.

Water Bottle



Please ensure your child has a named water bottle in school. For environmental and safety reasons we will not be providing cups in the classroom.



Library Day

Tuesday

Reading

Don't forget to keep reading for pleasure at home. There are lots of books on bug club to choose from too!

PE Days



Our PE days are Thursday mornings (outdoor). Please wear warm sports clothes and Friday afternoons (indoor). We will change in school for this. Please ensure long hair is tied back and earrings preferably removed on these days.



Cardboard Boxes

Do you have any big cardboard boxes for our children to play with at break time? The bigger the better. Bring them in and put them in the shelter near the sensory garden please. Let their imagination run wild!

Useful Websites to Practise Skills at Home

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOFXTsK2L43e2ieh2olaR9Q/videos>

White Rose Maths

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMxTHqmmGcECrSJWbpjCtTw>

Brick Maths

<https://nrich.maths.org/12635>

Activities/games to play with an adult

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMY4o8_rPjmFoatx7F4TvHQ/playlists

Twinkl Kids TV - mixture of Maths, Phonics, Literacy and movement

<https://www.literacyshed.com/the-fantasy-shed.html>

Stories to watch and talk about

www.topmarks.co.uk

Literacy and Maths games