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**Year 2 Spring 1 Newsletter**

Year 2 staff would like to wish you all a Happy and Healthy New Year. We would also like to thank everyone for their generous Christmas gifts.

This term will see Year 2 continuing to work very hard as we continue to develop our skills and knowledge.

In **Maths**, we will be exploring shape before we move on to multiplication and division through problem solving and we will be enjoying the excitement of working with money.

Our **English** is linked to our **Geography** unit about Oceans and Continents. Children will be looking at poetry and using books to research and find information about different countries and continents. We will also be writing a pirate story towards the end of this half term.

We will be finding out about the basic needs of animals, including humans, in **Science**. In **RE**, we are looking at books and stories that are important to us. We will be exploring how to do effective searching on the internet during our **Computing** lessons. **PSHE** sees us finding out about ourselves and our families. Colours and numbers will be learnt in **French** and in **Music** we will be learning to compose some simple tunes.

We will continue to work with our coach in **PE**. This half term we will be looking at Dance and Invasion Games. We would like to remind you that PE days are Mondays and Tuesdays and your child needs their PE kit, including pumps, in school on those days. We would also request that, in line with school policy, any earrings are removed on these days.

We cannot put enough emphasis on the importance of regular reading at home –little and often is the key to success! Research has shown that children who read regularly make the most progress with their learning.

The children will continue to bring home spellings each week, usually on a Friday, that they will need to learn for a test the following Friday. We always appreciate your support with helping your child learn their spellings.

Your child’s **attendance**, as always, is very important. Children often find it difficult to keep up with their work if their attendance is not consistent. Obviously genuine illness is a different matter.

If you would like to know anything regarding your child in Year 2, please do not hesitate to contact us. We would like to thank you for your continued support.

Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Carr, Miss Jeffery, Ms. Arif