

Year 2 Newsletter

Dear Parent or Carer,

I hope you all had a very merry Christmas and a happy new year. I am excited to welcome the children back for the first half of our Spring term. This half term our study unit is going to be a geography focus, we will be learning all about the different oceans and continents. The Knowledge Organiser will give you more details of the things we will learn. If you or your child have any interesting books, artefacts or photographs to do with the topic, please send them in to share.

English

In English, reading and writing will be based around our key text: The Pirates Next Door. We will be innovating our own story based around this book using lots of ambitious vocabulary and description. I am looking forward to Pirate Day also, this will link nicely into the book we are reading. We will then be writing a recount of an exciting up and coming trip we have to the Church. This will be a mock baptism (more details to follow soon!)

Maths

Our Maths learning this term will focus on Shape and then Multiplication and Division. Last half term the children worked extremely hard to master their knowledge on 2D and 3D shapes. They could name them all and we finished last term by being able to count faces, vertices and edges of 3D shapes! Please don't forget to encourage your child to practise their number bonds to 10 and 20 at home. These key facts are an essential part of their learning. The children also worked hard on deriving facts-



Homework

Reading

Please help us by returning reading books **every Thursday** to ensure that we can send out two new books each Friday.

Please comment on each book that your child reads, as when they achieve ten comments, they will receive a special certificate in Gold Book assembly as part of the 'Ten Book Challenge'.

Spelling

Spelling sheets are given out alongside two reading books **every Friday**, to be returned the following Friday. Your child will have a short 'Spelling quiz' each week and we will communicate their results with you via their spelling sheet. Please encourage your child to practise their spellings little and often throughout the week.

Maths

Please encourage your child to play on Numbots regularly at home. Little and often is the perfect approach and will really support your child in learning their key number facts. Your child's log-in details for Numbots are on the inside cover of their reading records. Each week, a Numbots star is chosen for a special certificate in Celebration Assembly! If you have any difficulties logging on, please come and see me.

Key dates

Monday 8th January 2024-

Return to School.

Monday 15th January 2024-

Pirate Day.

Friday 2nd February 2024- Year 2

role play baptism (more details to follow).



PE days

PE days are **Tuesdays** and **Wednesdays**. If your child wears earrings, please make sure that they are taken out or covered before school on these days. Your child needs to come to school with tape and this is either put on by parents/carers or the child themselves. Adults in school are unable to cover up your child's earrings.

If your child is unable to take part in PE, please could you let me know, this needs to be accompanied with a letter explaining why.

Other areas of the curriculum

In Science this half term, we are learning about what animals and humans need to survive. In Art, we will be designing and making peg pirates and we are also going to be playing the Ocarina in music!

Reminders

Please remember to bring a named water bottle in to school each day.

Please ensure that all clothing is labelled with your child's name.



If you have any questions or require any support then please do come and see us. We are looking forward to a half term of fun learning!

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for example $3+4=7$, therefore $30+40=100$. Practising these little and often will really help your child.

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