

Year 2 Spring Term Newsletter

Spring Term

Welcome back and Happy New Year!

The children have all settled back into school well and we are looking forward to another busy term with lots of exciting things planned.

As always, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher - the best time to catch class teachers is at the end of the day, alternatively you can email via the school office.

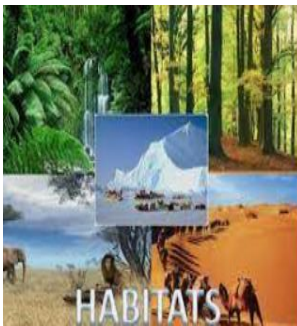
PE

We have two PE sessions a week; one indoor (gymnastics) and one outdoor (ball skills). Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school and that this kit is labelled. During this term, it is always chilly outside so your child will need tracksuit bottoms and a jumper for outdoor PE. Outdoor PE is on a Monday afternoon, and indoor PE is on a Wednesday morning

Science

In science we are investigating living things and their habitats. We will be researching what adaptations are, match animals to their habitats and discuss what each animal has that enables them to survive and thrive in their habitat.

The children will go on a micro-habitat hunt. They will predict what they might see and, after the investigation, compare and contrast their findings with their predictions as well as the different micro-habitats they have found. We also have an exciting trip planned to Hollow Tree Farm on 23rd March.



Reward System

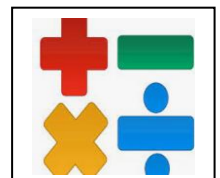
Good behaviour and effort are rewarded in school by awarding Dojo points. For each 100 Dojo points a child accumulates, a certificate is given starting with bronze and going through to platinum. Congratulations to those children who have now achieved their bronze certificate and are working towards their silver.

Each Friday we will also continue to nominate one child from each class to receive the Head Teacher's Award. This is presented by Mrs Fairs in our achievement assembly on a Friday.

Numbots and TT Rockstars certificates are awarded every Friday for those children who have come in the top three for accuracy and improvement. The children can use their Numbots logins to log on to TT Rockstars and we are focusing on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables in Year 2.

Maths

This term we will be focussing on money, multiplication/division, length and height. The children will have lots of practical experiences in measuring using a ruler, metre rule and tape measure.



English/Reading

Thank you for your continued support with reading at home. Reading regularly is very beneficial for the children and has a significant impact on their learning in school.

During English lessons, the children focus on a high-quality text and practise and develop skills of comprehension, retrieval and inference. These lessons include everyone in the class regardless of their reading ability.

In English we are currently reading poetry. We are looking at the structure and shape of poems and using what we find to write our own poems.



DT

The children loved learning to sew before Christmas and were proud of their puppets.

During the second half of this term, we will be learning how to design and make a healthy pizza.



Helpers in School

We very much value parental support in school. If you think that you may be able to help in school to change book bags or listen to readers, we would love to hear from you.

Volunteers are required to have a DBS check and undertake a short safeguarding session provided by the school. Please see the volunteer information page on the school website or have a chat with one of the teachers if you think you may be able to help.



History

In history we are learning about The Great Fire of London. The children will use various sources of evidence to research the past. We also have an exciting 'History off the Page' day on Thursday 15th January where children will dress up as Tudor children and learn about this exciting event!



Thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support.
Mrs Richardson, Mr Balls, Miss Fairweather and Miss Downing.