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Information

- In order to learn well, children need to be in school every day!
- Help your child to get to school on time. The gate will open for Year 2 at 8:45.
- Home reading books – at an appropriate reading level - will be changed once a week, usually on a Thursday/Friday. Please sign the reading record to indicate you have listened to your child read, so we know the book is ready to be changed. Books need to be returned on Mondays to allow 72 hours before being changed.
- Library books – of your child's own choice – will be given out on a Friday.
- Send your child to school wearing the correct school uniform. This will help them to feel a valued part of our school community.
- Your child will need to come to school wearing their PE kit on the day that they have PE, including leggings and hoodies to keep warm. Check our website for further details.

2LT – Tuesday PE

2PG – Thursday PE

Members of staff in year 2 this year

Year 2LT

Miss Taylor & Mrs Downing

Year 2PG

Ms Gibby & Miss Amair

Year 2 Autumn 2020

Welcome to Year 2.

This leaflet will let you know about the various opportunities your children will have to learn new things in Key Stage 1.

You can help at home too! Try to read with your child as often as possible and sign their reading log so their book can be changed. Keep reading time relaxed, comfortable and fun! Make it a special time together. Ask them questions and what they think or feel about what they are reading.

Maths is everywhere, so try and use your everyday surroundings to encourage enthusiasm and confidence in this subject. For example, you can talk about the time, measuring ingredients during cooking and counting out money during visits to the shops.

You are welcome to ask us if you would like to know more. Please feel free to talk to staff at the start or end of the day.

'Practice Makes Perfect!'

English

Pupils will be practising a range of English skills to develop their writing grammatically so they can write in sentences, using punctuation correctly. They will explore how to write stories that include a range of descriptive language to improve the quality of their sentences. As well as factual writing such as instructions and information texts, we will also be looking at writing some simple poems this term.

Children will work on the spelling of high frequency words and make phonetically plausible attempts at difficult words. They will also be reading a range of high quality texts to further develop their comprehension skills.

Our Topic

We will be making learning cross-curricular, fun and creative through meaningful topics using **Art, History, Geography and D&T**. This term our topics are 'Are You Fit for Royalty?' and 'The Great Fire of London'.

Children will be learning about castles and royalty, as well as historical and modern London.

They will also become history detectives and investigate a range of sources to deepen their understanding of a significant historical event.

For DT, we will be designing and constructing our own shield and coat of arms as well as designing and creating Tudor houses.

Science

In Science this years, we will be carrying out some practical investigations as well as learning some interesting facts!

Pupils will be learning about the different seasons of the year. They will be finding out about the Earth's movement in space and how this impacts upon the seasons and weather. They will also investigate the importance of exercise and the impact that this has on the human body. Pupils will learn the significance of a healthy and active lifestyle.

Speaking & Spellings

During this term, children will become more proficient at segmenting the sounds in words in order to be able to write them down and spell words correctly. In order to do this, children will need to be able to say words clearly so please encourage your child to speak carefully and clearly when you talk to them. We will be sending home the high frequency words they should spell correctly by the end of Year 2.

Useful Websites:

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/>

<https://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

<http://www.mathszone.co.uk/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk>

Maths

In Year 2 we will be continuing to develop the children's understanding of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division using our *SMART Maths* learning system. This means we will be doing our maths practically before we write down our calculations. We include adding and subtracting halves and quarters. Then we will move on to vertical addition and subtraction but only with one 'tricky column'! We will be telling the time to the quarter of an hour and doing further work on 2D & 3D shapes.

You can help your child to practise their maths skills by talking about adding and taking away numbers from zero to twenty as well as counting up and back into the hundreds.

Don't Forget...

The Library is free and a fantastic resource. Our nearest library is:

Wolverhampton Central Library,
Snow Hill,
City Centre,
Wolverhampton
WV1 3AX
01902 552025

History is at our fingertips through Wolverhampton's museums, galleries and archives. Find out what is going on across the city by visiting:

www.wolverhamptonart.org.uk/visit/wolves