

Autumn 2023

Year 2 Newsletter

Welcome to a new school year!

REMINDERS:

- Year 2 doors will open in the mornings at 8:30 and the children finish at 3:10.
- Classes will enter via their classroom doors. 2M, 2WL and 2B exit this way. 2E exit through 2WL
- Year 2 P.E. is on a **Tuesday Outdoor & Wednesday Indoor**. Please ensure your child comes to school in their P.E. kit.
- Please ensure all clothing is clearly labelled.

HOMEWORK:

- Your child will receive a half termly homework mat for English and Maths. The activities are to be completed over the half term and brought back to school signed in the last week of that term. These activities are a guide. Please adapt them to either support or challenge your child.
- The children will be assigned a school reading book on a **Friday** and will also have free choice from our class library.
- Spellings will be assigned, once a week on a **Friday**, for you to practise with your child on EdShed. (For the first term they will be recapping some of the Year 1 tricky words.)

CURRICULUM:

Our Come and See topics will be:

- **Beginnings** (God is present in every beginning)
- **Signs and Symbols** (Baptism)
- **Judaism**
- **Preparing** (Advent)

Our English foci throughout this term will be: fiction texts (Winnie the Witch), poetry and instructions.

Our Mathematics foci will be:

- Place value, partitioning tens and ones
- Addition and subtraction
- Money
- Dividing into equal groups
- 2s, 5s and 10s
- Doubling and Halving

Our Science topic will be **Materials**.

During this topic we will be looking at the properties of many materials and how materials are changed when either heated or cooled.

In Geography we will be comparing Southport and St. Lucia

Our Art topic will be 'Explore and Draw', They will have opportunities to improve their sketching skills

In D.T. the children will be learning about healthy eating and will be making their own fruit smoothies

In Computing the children will be exploring digital photography.

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

- Talk to your child about our Come and See topics and their meaning. Any photographs or items relevant to our topics would be welcome as they enrich our class discussions
- Reading a variety of books with the children and discussing their purpose and features will support children's reading and English work
- Practise their weekly spellings with them and find the words in the books you read together
- Please continue to read the assigned reading books.
- Playing number games involving counting forwards and backwards and also spotting number patterns will make Maths fun and will increase their confidence

KEY DATES:

Meet the Teacher - 20th September
9.05a.m.

Parent's Evening 18th October & 19th
October

Advent Service - November TBC

Thank you for all your support.
The Year 2 Team