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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 classroom door will be open at 8:45am and the register is taken at 8.55am.
- Home reading books at an appropriate reading level will be changed each week at the least. Please sign the reading record to indicate you have listened to your child read, so we know the book is ready to be changed.
- Homework will be given out on a Friday to be returned by Wednesday the following week.
- 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 in the correct PE kit on a Wednesday and a Friday.

Members of staff in Year 2 this year:

Year 2LT

Miss Taylor, Miss Williams & Mrs Poole

Year 2DB

Miss Burgoyne & Mr Penney

Year 2 Autumn 2023

Welcome to Year 2.

This leaflet will let you know about the various opportunities your children will have to learn new things in Year 2.

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 list 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.

Geography

In geography we are looking at weather and seasons. We will be looking at understanding the weather changes and different weather patterns across the four seasons.

We will be learning about the weather symbols and what they represent as well as using geographical vocabulary to describe the changes in weather over the four seasons.

Home Task:

Why not keep a weather diary for each day of the week?

Science

Pupils will be learning about what all living things need in order to survive. They will investigate the importance of exercise and the impact that this has on the human body. Pupils will learn about the main food groups and the significance of a healthy lifestyle.

ART

This half term we will be focusing on the works of Yayoi Kusama. We will be working on mark making with a variety of medias, building up to creating artwork in the style of our artist.

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 have sent 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 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 forwards and backwards in 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 museums, galleries and archives. Find out what is going on across the city by visiting:

www.wolverhamptonart.org.uk/visit/wolves