

3<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

## Year 2 Class Letter

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely holiday and are all ready for a new and exciting year at school.

Your teachers are:

Mrs Speechley on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Mrs Marlow on Thursday and Friday.

There are lots of other staff working in class too: Mrs Spencer, Miss Witkiss, Mrs Ravikumar, Mrs Srinivasan; Mrs Andrzejczak. Mr Kenny will still teach P.E. to our class once a week.

P.E. days this year are: Thursday and Friday so please come to school in your P.E. kit on those days.

We will still be ventilating the class well due to Covid so please make sure you have warm clothes and maybe a t-shirt or vest under your uniform.

Snack money remains at £1 contribution per week please. Most of this goes on snack but in the event of any monies being left over each week it is used to fund cooking and/or trips, resources for the class.

## What Are We Learning This Term?

We are doing lots of work on Animals and Living Things in Science, Learning about 'Magical Mapping' and later Guy Fawkes in Humanities. Of course we will be doing lots of work story writing and making information books. We will be learning about Sculptures in our art work. Our maths work will be focused on working with numbers to 100 - their size and adding and subtracting tens and units as well as beginning to use and read graphs.

A huge focus for the whole year will be reading and phonics. We will be sharing many exciting books and practising our new phonics skills.

## Homework

The biggest thing you can do to help your child succeed at school is to read with them EVERY DAY. Sometimes that could be you reading to your child, sometimes it could be hearing your child read their book to you. It is very important that at least 10-15 minutes is spent reading every day and that your child brings their reading book back to school each day please, so that we can also read frequently with your child.

We will not be sending written homework each week. Sometimes there might be some phonics or spelling games to play.

Usually your child will come home with a philosophy question - a fun question to discuss with you, with their extended family and friends. This is to encouraging quality conversation and thinking, challenging each other and giving reasons for their thoughts. We will send you more information when this begins.

## Trips and Experiences

Although we have not yet confirmed the booking, we are hoping to take the children to Bradlaugh Fields to help our Science work in September and also to invite in 'Owls to Behold' for the children to have close up encounters with these beautiful animals. As soon as dates are confirmed we will let you know.

We can't wait to get started on the year's work with the fantastic Year 2 class and view it very much as a partnership with yourselves. If you have anything you wish discuss we are always happy to chat to you briefly after school.

Best wishes
The Year 2 Team