



YEAR 2

AUTUMN TERM TWO



Welcome to our Year Group Newsletter for this half term. We are excited to share our learning journey with you!

SDG 16 Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions

We will be learning about peaceful and inclusive communities

In English...

We will be focusing on character descriptions in our new class text. We will be applying basic punctuation and developing our independent writing including the use of conjunctions.

In Maths...

We will be adding and subtracting two, 2-digit numbers that cross the tens barrier. We will be learning to add amounts of money and to give change.

In Science...

We will be learning about the importance of exercise and the impact it has on our bodies - our PE will link in with this unit of work and we will be creating fitness plans.

In History...

We will be learning about the History of the Police Force, including when it was established and how it has changed over time.

In Art...

We will continue to develop our sketching skills as well as look at mark making, joining and manipulating clay.

In PE...

We will be developing our dribbling, passing and shooting skills in football.

In Online Safety...

We will be beginning to understand what online bullying is and what it may look like.

In Religious Education...

We will be learning about the Incarnation 'Big Story' of the Bible. We will learn about the birth of Baby Jesus and how Christians celebrate Christmas around the world.

In Computing...

We will be learning how computers follow instructions we give them and beginning to use Scratch Junior to apply what we have learned.

In French...

We will be learning the names of the four seasons and some phrases that are associated with each one.

In Geography...

We will be learning about the countries that make up the UK and using maps to locate features such as Police Stations.

In DT...

We will be using joining and reinforcement techniques to design and create our very own Prison Cell!

In Music...

We will be learning how to sing and perform a song as part of a small group.

In PSHE...

We will be learning about the differences between us and the importance of celebrating those differences and promote inclusivity.

Other News:

PE

PE days have **changed** - both PE sessions will be outdoors this half term and will take place on **Thursdays and Fridays**.

Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing including a warm jumper and tracksuit bottoms and a change of clothes and shoes in case it rains on a PE day.

Homework

Reading

Please read at home with your child at least **three times a week** - it is so important to as often as possible to develop those decoding, fluency and comprehension skills. Please log all reading on Boom Reader - this can be their reading book, a free choice book or any other literature you may have at home, including magazines, chapter books, audiobooks, etc.

Spellings

Spellings in Year 2 follow the **Jungle Club** scheme. We will continue to send home a spelling sheet on a **Tuesday** for your child to practise the week's spelling rule. Please return the sheet on a **Monday** when we will have a little quiz.

Handwriting

Handwriting is a big focus for us this half term, we are learning the new cursive script and we would encourage your children to practise this at home too so that they can apply it to their independent writing - any support you give at home would be greatly appreciated!

Maths

Doodling for **10 minutes a day** will consolidate the learning that your child completes at school and keep them in the Green Zone! We also set a Doodle Assignment every **Friday** for your child to complete.

With the cold weather season fast approaching, please send your child to school in a **warm, waterproof coat**.

Please make sure that your child brings in a water bottle every day.

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