



# YEAR 2 NEWSLETTER



AUTUMN 2017 ~ TERMS 1 AND 2

Welcome to Year 2. It is going to be a fantastic year, full of creativity and inspiring learning opportunities.

2H — Mr Williams      Other adults supporting in Year 2 this year:  
2W — Miss Bowman      Mrs West, Mrs Hill, Miss Phillips, Mrs Judge, Mrs Ashenhurst and Mrs Gregson.

Please note: Every other Wednesday Mrs Bruce will be teaching 2H and Mrs Parkins will be teaching 2W.

## School Routines and Equipment

Please ensure your child brings their book bag, a coat and a water bottle to school each day. Trainers should be in school for use on the Daily Mile track.

**Monday**– 2H PE

**Friday**– 2W PE. Merit Mark Assembly at 2.45pm. Homework set and collected in.

**PE Kit:** All PE kit needs to be labelled, in a clearly named bag. Please leave in school until half term.

## Link Books and Reading Diaries

Please use the 'Link Book' to tell us anything you feel we should know about your child. Year 2 TAs will check these regularly so that we are aware of any events, concerns or achievements that may have an impact on your child at school. Please don't feel obliged to write in this book, it is an extra channel of communication, if it works for you. If there is anything very serious or confidential that you want to tell us, please speak directly to the class teacher. The teachers are always around before and after school for a quick chat or we can arrange an appointment if you need longer.

Reading Diaries should be in school each day and your child should record in here each time they read at home. You may also write your own comment about your child's reading. Please note that unless reading is written in the diary, we will assume the books haven't been read and won't change them.

## Key Dates

**Friday 15th September:** First homework, spelling and times tables given out, to be returned each Friday.

**Friday 22nd September:** House X-Country

**Thursday 12th October:** Year 2 Literature Festival Trip—Sally Nicholls

**Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October:** Parents Evening

**Friday 3rd November:** House Football

**Thursday 7th December:** Year 2 Christmas Play

**Friday 8th December:** Report 1 Out

**Monday 11th December:** KS1 Christmas Party

**Wednesday 20th December:** End of Term at 1.30pm

## 'Where in the world?'

In English this term we'll be writing instructions, learning the story of 'An Evening at Alfie's' and re-counting our trip to the literature festival. We'll be focussing on number in maths, particularly addition and subtraction and in science will be learning about animals including humans. We will be creating a presentation on places in the world in computing and exploring Harvest in RE. In geography we will be learning about the world's continents and oceans, as well as different climates around the world. In Art we will be making a creation collage and in PE we'll be covering Ball Skills.



## 'How can we be superheroes?'

Firework poetry, superhero comics and biographies will be covered in English this term, while in maths we will be exploring time, money, shape and data handling. Our science will focus on uses of everyday materials and in RE we will be covering the religious festivals of Christmas and Hanukkah. We will also be researching famous historical superheroes, with a particular focus on Florence Nightingale, and we will be exploring gymnastics in PE.



Our class read for these terms will be the BFG by Roald Dahl.

## Parent or grandparent helpers!

We are always looking for parents who can offer some time to help in class by listening to children read, helping with their artwork or even putting up displays. Please come into class and speak to your child's teacher if you feel you can help.