

Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 9th September 2016

Welcome back! I hope that you have all had a lovely summer and the children are looking forward to learning in their new classes. I am really looking forward to working with you all this year and excited to get to know all the children in Year 2. The Year 2 teachers have been impressed with how your children have settled into their new classes with ease and have planned a fun and interesting curriculum for the children to enjoy!

In order to enable you to support your child's learning at home, we have outlined below some of the topics that we will be learning this term:

English	We will cover sequencing, re-telling and instruction writing based on stories by Julia Donaldson.
Maths	Place value, addition, subtraction and geometry will be the main themes with children working on their ability to reason mathematically.
Science	Animals, Lifecycles and Habitats.
Topic/ Foundation subjects.	Print Making (Art), Showing respect for others and their beliefs (RE), Pop up cards (DT), New beginnings/Saying no to bullying (PSHE), The Strings Project (Music), Using Paint, Word and other programmes to create/Edit and Save work (ICT), Movement, dance, throwing catching and receiving (P.E.)

You may also find the following information useful:

School library

Each class will have the opportunity to visit the library during the week where they will get a chance to borrow one book of their choice per week and take home to enjoy. Days to be confirmed in due course.

PE

Children will have an indoor and outdoor session of PE during the week. P.E times are flexible and therefore we would appreciate it, if you would ensure that your child's PE kit is in school and remains in school for the half term. The P.E kit list is available on the school website.

Home learning

We would really appreciate it if you could assist your child and support them in their Home Learning activities:

Homework/Subject	Guidance
Spellings	These will be given out every Friday and tested the following Thursday.
Maths	This will be given out every Tuesday. Tasks will vary between MyMaths online activities and written tasks (which should be returned within one week to be marked).
Home Learning Matrix	Set every other Friday and must be completed and returned by the following Friday. The Learning Matrix includes a range of written, mathematical, creative and practical tasks.
Reading	Children will bring home a new reading book each week. We would appreciate it if you could add a comment and sign the reading diary after you read with your child at home and ensure this is returned along with the guided reading book on your child's reading day.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to speak with me.

I look forward to working with you all.

Best wishes,

Mrs P Master

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