



INFORMATION FOR YEAR 2 PARENTS

Spring 1 2018

Year 2 Class Teachers are Miss Tupling and Miss Lilly. Our Teaching Assistants are Mrs Higgins and Miss Dybell.
The information provided below outlines the work that your child will undertake this half term.



Homework

Creative Curriculum homework has already been sent out for the half term. Please complete with your child one activity each week. In addition, a maths piece of homework is sent out weekly, it is crucial that this is also completed weekly. We have handed new homework folders out, please help your child keep their homework safe and tidy.

Creative curriculum

YO-Ho-Ho and a bottle of rum! Arr... me hearties, - it's a sailor's life for me! Get your sea legs on, it's time to sail the salty seas. Navigate, investigate and explore the world- just like Captain James Cook. This half term the children will learn about the life and importance of Captain James Cook. We will be visiting the Captain Cook museum on Wednesdays 17th January. Additional to Captain Cook we will research the importance of the RNLI and find out how famous pirates ruled the waves and threatened everyone they saw.

English

This half term the children will read and write a range of different texts such as: non-chronological reports, narrative and poetry.

During English sessions the children will be continuing to revise the spelling rules they have previously learnt and 'tricky' words which follow no spelling rule. As always, children will bring their reading book home each night. We need your help to support your child's reading! We are currently providing opportunities to all of the children to read with an adult several times a week in school. Please listen to your child read for around 10 minutes and write in their reading record and return it to school each day. During Pupil Parent Teacher meetings we will inform you of our new reading reward scheme across Key Stage One.

Science

This half term we will continue to learn about 'Living things and their habitats'. We will be looking at local habitats and microhabitats to see which animals and plants live there. Towards the end of the half term we will be beginning our new science topic on plants. With this new learning, the children will be asked to help with our new Year Two garden area. Here, we will be planting our own flowers and vegetables making it a place that the children can enjoy and relax within the summer months.

Mathematics

This half term children will continue to practise the basic skills of addition, subtraction and multiplication, both mentally and using equipment to help. We will learn about place value; hundreds, tens and ones, capacity and volume; comparing and ordering different volumes and the properties of shapes such as their names and features (such as edges, vertices and faces). We will also be solving simple problems using money and time.

You can help at home by

- practising the 2,5 and 10 times tables
- looking for and talking about shapes in the home
- practising working out change when out shopping
- Encourage your child to tell the time.

Physical Education

Exciting news! The children will now enjoy their PE lesson with 'Gym Jo' every **Tuesday** afternoon. She will provide children with gymnastic lessons performing simple moves and using the equipment. We please ask that you support the school by ensuring your child has a PE kit in school, including black plimsoles. We recommend that this is brought in at the beginning of the half term and left in school. Children with earrings must remove them before the session for safety reasons. Please write your child's name in all their clothes, especially jumpers.