

# Year 2



## Summer 1 Newsletter

Welcome back after half term. We hope you all had a great break!

### Year 2 daily routine reminders:

School begins at 9:00am and finishes at 3:30pm. Early bird sessions will continue Tuesdays - Thursdays with a Reading, Maths and Spelling focus so doors will be open at 8:50am on these days.

Teachers are available to talk to if something important needs to be discussed. If you require a period of time to talk to the teacher, please arrange a convenient appointment for you both.

If a different person will be collecting your child from school (even if this is a family member) please let a staff member know or call the office if this is a last minute arrangement. We will not allow your child home with anyone if we haven't been told, even if we know this person.

Children are encouraged to bring in a filled water bottle daily. These can be refilled in school if needed. Please ensure your child has their reading book and reading diary with them each day as well as suitable clothing and PE kit to suit the weather conditions.

### Summer 1 learning:

Each half term has a specific 'Unit of Learning' which will focus on different subject areas. This half term, we will be focusing our Unit of learning on History. We will be learning about the 'Victorians'.

| Autumn  |   | Spring   |  | Summer  |   |
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| 1   | 2   | 1  | 2  | 1   | 2   |
| What are the main differences between Sherwood Forest and Rainforests?<br><br>Geography focus | Why is London our capital city and which are the other cities of the UK?<br><br>Geography focus | What lessons have we learned from the Great Fire of London?<br><br>History focus | How has transport changed over the years?<br><br>History focus | How did the Victorians influence our life today?<br><br>History focus | What are the main differences between my life and life in a small village in Africa?<br><br>Geography focus |

### **Weather:**

As we venture into the Summer Term, and the weather begins to get brighter and hotter, please ensure that your child comes to school readily prepared. If you feel it is appropriate on certain sunny days, please ensure your child is coming to school with applied sunscreen. A hat and a water bottle is advised as your child will be spending break times outside.

### **Bingo Homework:**

The children will continue to receive homework in a 'bingo' style format. Each homework activity will relate to what the children are learning about and they can choose which activities they would like to complete and when. Activities are chosen to insight a love of learning and a thirst for knowledge. Homework should be viewed as a chance for children to play to their strengths - if they are brilliant on the computer - do it on the computer, if they are artistic - let them show that. Children who complete their homework will be rewarded for each piece they do and will receive a certificate to reflect how many pieces they have completed.

### **Online Platforms:**

We encourage the children to access the DoodleMaths/English/Spelling learning platforms. We will continue to send home spellings for your child to learn on a weekly basis in their reading diaries. These will be assessed weekly. Please find some time to practise these with your child.

Our school Twitter is a great way of getting to see some of the fabulous work that your child does in school (#classof2029). The bingo homework, letters and updates will be shared via email. In addition, the school website contains lots of information too so it is worth checking regularly. <http://www.kingedwin.notts.sch.uk/>

### **Upcoming events:**

- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April - Trip to Crich (thank you for offers of support for this, if this is required, a member of staff would have spoken to you). Please make sure payment has been sent via the school gateway. Extra reminders about the trip have been sent out so please check your emails. If you haven't received this, please let a member of the team know ASAP.
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> May FOKE summer disco
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May - Class photos
- W/C 26<sup>th</sup> May - Half term
- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July pm transition and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July full day transition
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July - Y2 sleepover - more details to follow nearer the time

## How can you help your child at home?

- Read daily with your child and record it in their reading diary, this doesn't always have to be their school book.
- Practising the 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables.
- Practising weekly spellings
- Practise reading and spelling sight words (in the back of the reading diary).
- Encourage your child to be more independent.
- Learn with them by completing their 'Bingo' homework activities.
- Completing activities on DoodleMaths/English/Spelling.

Many thanks for your continued support. Please email rather than messaging on TEAMS if you have any questions or queries.

The Year 2 Team