



Welcome to Year 1 & Year 2's Newsletter

Spring Term 2020 – we hope you had a wonderful Christmas and New Year!

Exciting English

Year 1

Year 1 children will be reading *Dear Greenpeace*. We will then be writing letters to Greenpeace about the whale in the story! The children's focus will be on using capital letters and full stops correctly, as well as beginning to use 'and' in sentences.

Year 2

Year 2 will be continuing with our work on *Jack & the Beanstalk* next half term, and producing lots of fun writing based on this story. We will then be moving on to look at other traditional tales.

Marvellous Maths

Year 1

In Year 1, we will be revisiting the topic of addition and subtraction and using even larger numbers this time! We will then be going back to place value, and looking at larger numbers there as well as starting to count in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Year 2

This half term in Year 2, we will be starting off by continuing our work on multiplication and division. Then we will move on to look at statistics, including tally charts and pictograms.



Science

In Science this half term, we will be doing the topic 'Animals, Including Humans'. We will be looking at how animals grow and what we need in order to survive. We will also be learning about different scientific skills which linked into our Creative Curriculum topic...

Creative Curriculum

Our topic for the next half term is *Muck, Mess and Mixtures*. This topic will be focussing heavily on improving our artistic skills including working with different materials and mixing colours. We will start off with a WOW day linked to the scientific skills mentioned above!



RE

In RE, we will be looking at the topic 'Festivals of the World.' Eid and Chinese New Year are just two of the festivals we will be looking at closely.

PSHE

We will be looking at *Dreams and Goals*. The children will be talking about what they want to achieve in the near future and what steps they need to take in order to achieve their goals.

Attendance

Did you know?

For every day of school missed by a pupil, it will reduce their overall attendance by 0.5%.

Ten whole days of school have been missed if your child has 95% attendance. Twenty days of school are missed if your child's attendance is 90%.

By the time a pupil is persistently absent (85% or below), they have missed 6 weeks or half a term of school.

This is why it is extremely important for your child to attend school every day!

Weekly Homework

Homework is given out each Wednesday and should be handed back in every Monday. Homework diaries go home regularly and should be signed by parents each week. Please try to listen to your child read a small amount each time, and question them on what they have read. Your children's books will be changed weekly.



Reminders

Children should wear school uniform always with black shoes. Children should not wear any jewellery, except a watch and stud earrings. Please make sure your children are in school (and on time) every day. The Government target for attendance is for children to be present for 96% of the school days. If your child is in school every day, they are eligible for lots of different treats: winning the 'Attendance Dinosaur' award; entered into a weekly raffle to win a pair of free cinema tickets; and a chance to take part in our whole-school attendance treat each term.

Our Team

1/2KM – Miss Merrick

1/2AL – Miss Lago

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