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Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year 2

Year 2 Newsletter: Summer 1

Welcome back! We are looking forward to getting started on our new topic about Kenya. It's a very exciting topic and will include learning about maps, climate, African animals and landscapes.

Maths

Please continue to support your child in learning their times tables (2x, 5x and 10x) and particularly in recognising the related division facts. Your child may enjoy logging on to TT Rockstars at home in order to practise becoming quicker at recalling their times table facts. We are working hard to accurately add and subtract 2-digit numbers, including in word problems. Do have a try at home and if you'd like us to explain how we teach it in school, please feel free to ask. This half term we will also be learning about capacity and mass.

Reading

Thank you for continuing to support your child's reading at home. It is important that book bags, reading books and reading diaries are in school every day. Your child will bring home a book targeted at their current reading level. Please listen to your child reading this book and ask them questions about what they have read. Starting from next week, these books will be changed twice a week. We recommend reading the books more than once as this will help to improve fluency and confidence. The children will also continue to have a daily choice of book from the class book corner. Please do try and read every day and record books (from school, home or the library) in reading diaries along with the day/date and a short comment. We enjoy reading your comments and it gives us a good picture of your child as a reader. Reading diaries will be checked on a Friday and we will be counting how many children have been able to record at least five home reads in a week. Each week the KS1 reading trophy is awarded to the class in which the most children have read at least five times at home. As we move into the final term of year 2, we will be encouraging the children to build their stamina for reading so that they are able to read and enjoy texts of increasing length.

PE

PE is on Thursdays and Fridays. Children will need a named PE kit which they can change into. This can be kept on their peg. Please make sure your child has PE shoes in school, or wears trainers to school on PE days. Long hair must be tied back for PE and children are not permitted to wear earrings. If children are wearing earrings and are unable to remove them themselves, they will be unable to participate in the PE lesson.

Home Learning

Please see the document with some starter home learning ideas for this half-term. If your child has worked on a home learning project, we are asking that you don't send it into school, but share a photo of it via Seesaw, so that it can be shared with the class.

General information

- Children will continue to be provided with a piece of fruit every day. Please feel free to send in another piece if you would like.
- Please ensure water bottles are in school daily.
- If we have sunny days, please remember sun hats. Any bottles of sun cream should be clearly named.
- There are lots of great games and activities to support our learning in class on Education City. These cover a range of subjects and can be fun and interactive ways to embed learning e.g. spelling.
- Please remember to let us know if someone different is collecting your child at home time.

Thank you for your interest and support.

Yours sincerely

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