

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 2 Half Termly Curriculum Information Letter – Autumn Term 2 2024

Welcome back after the half term break!

We are looking forward to getting started on our new history topic about 'The Great Fire of London'.

Reading

Your child will bring home a reading book targeted at their current reading level (either a Big Cat book or a book on AR). Please read these books with your child/encourage your child to read their AR book themselves and listen in from time to time. If your child is reading a Big Cat book, please also take a look at the inside cover of the book as this may have some suggestions for supporting your child with that particular reading book. It is important to continue sharing a wide range of books and children will continue to have a daily free choice of book to borrow from our classroom. Please record any books in your child's reading diary. Reading diaries will be checked on a Friday and we will monitor how many children have been able to **record at least five home reads in a week**.

Maths

This half term, we are continuing to learn about different strategies for adding and subtracting within 100. To support your child's speed and accuracy, please help them to practise their recall of addition and subtraction facts within 10 and 20. As they become more confident in remembering these facts, they will be able to use them to solve more complex problems.

PE

PE is on **Mondays** and **Fridays**. Please do remember to have a PE kit in school.

Friday's PE lessons are outside, so children must either come into school wearing trainers suitable for running or they can leave a spare pair of trainers/plimsolls in their school PE kit.

Spellings

We are working hard to learn to spell the 'common exception words' (words which cannot be phonetically sounded out and should be learned off by heart). Please find a list of these attached.

General information

- Children will continue to be provided with a piece of fruit every day at morning break. Please feel free to send in another piece from home if you would like.
- Please ensure water bottles are brought to school every day. **Please do not put water bottles in book bags as this ruins the books.**

Christmas production

We have already started to rehearse this year's Christmas production and the children have been learning some of the songs. The children are very excited! Children who have shown an interest in a speaking part in the production received their lines before the half-term holidays. Please support your child by helping them to practise remembering and saying their lines loudly and clearly. If you have any questions, please ask your child's teacher.

Home time

Please remember to let us know if someone different is collecting your child at home time.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Miss Aurelio and Mrs Shearer

Common Exception Words

Year 1

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| a | his | push | was |
| are | house | put | we |
| ask | I | said | were |
| be | is | says | where |
| by | love | school | you |
| come | me | she | your |
| do | my | so | |
| friend | no | some | |
| full | of | the | |
| go | once | there | |
| has | one | they | |
| he | our | to | |
| here | pull | today | |

Year 2

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|-----------|-----------|---------|---------|--------|
| after | class | floor | most | pretty |
| again | climb | gold | move | prove |
| any | clothes | grass | Mr | should |
| bath | cold | great | Mrs | steak |
| beautiful | could | half | old | sugar |
| because | door | hold | only | sure |
| behind | even | hour | parents | told |
| both | every | improve | pass | water |
| break | everybody | kind | past | who |
| busy | eye | last | path | whole |
| child | fast | many | people | wild |
| children | father | mind | plant | would |
| Christmas | find | money | poor | |