

Class 2's Newsletter

Happy New Year!

This term our topics will be Weather and The Great Fire of London.

Spellings

Spellings will be given on a **Monday** and children will have a chance to show what they have learnt the following **Monday** in small groups. Please support your child to complete three spelling attempts each week as this does help them to correctly spell during independent writing. Spelling books need to be returned to school every Monday.

Homework

Homework will be given every Friday in a 'homework book' and will be due in by **Wednesday** of the following week.

Reading books

Reading books will be changed on a **Monday, Wednesday** and **Friday**, if completed.

PE

PE sessions will be on a **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**. Children will be doing gymnastics, and multi skills. Please send P.E kit for both indoor and outdoor sessions, including suitable PE trainers for going on the playground or field. As PE days can change from time to time, please send kits into school on a Monday and they will be returned home on a Friday.

Topic: Weather

Numeracy sessions will cover: number and place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division strategies, fractions, measurement, geometry and statistics.

Our literacy sessions will cover: poetry, recounts, explanations and information texts. In addition, there will be opportunities to develop writing for different purposes across the curriculum.

During science sessions, children will explore materials and their properties.

Computing sessions will focus on e-safety, programming, handling data and multimedia.

Our topic sessions will encompass: history, geography, art and DT. We will be learning about weather patterns in the United Kingdom, including seasonal change. Later in the term, we will be learning about the Great Fire of London.

This half term, RE sessions will focus on Judaism. Later in the term we plan to visit Durham Cathedral to learn about the life of Saint Cuthbert. Details of the trip will follow.

For the first five weeks of this term, we will be joined by Miss Little from Durham University. Miss Little will be teaching some sessions, supported by Miss Jenkins as part of her Block Practice.

Thank you for your support to ensure that no toys are brought into school as these can be easily lost. Children can continue to bring books to share during quiet reading.

Miss Jenkins- Class Teacher

Mrs Ridley - Higher Level Teaching Assistant