

Year 2
Class newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and Welcome back!

I hope that you all had a lovely time celebrating over the Christmas break and enjoyed time with your families and friends. I am very much looking forward to this half term and the learning which will take place.

Staff

I (Miss Aimee Todd) will continue to teach Year 2 this half term. Mrs Greener will support in Year 2. Mrs Heffernan will teach Year 2 on Friday mornings while I have my planning and preparation time. We are very lucky this half term to have Miss Swaddle working with and teaching Year 2. She is completing her PGCE at Northumbria University and is very excited to get to know all of your lovely children!

PE

PE this half term will take place on a Thursday morning with Amy from NUFC (outdoor). The outdoor PE kit is as follows: Navy blue tracksuit, navy blue Leggings, navy blue sweatshirt, white t-shirt, trainers. PE on a Friday will be gymnastics and we will be indoors for this session. It is essential that your child comes dressed in the correct PE uniform. This includes: White t-shirt, navy blue shorts, sandshoes.

Homework

Please find attached to your email the homework challenges sheet. There are 6 homework challenges to be completed across this half term. These are designed to support and extend your child's learning at home. The time you spend working with your children is very much appreciated!

Reading

It is very important to continue to read at home with your child to develop their love of reading, work reading skills and comprehension skills. As we progress through Year 2, comprehension becomes a key focus. Please make sure to question your child when reading as this will ensure they have an understanding of what they are reading. We will continue to send 2 books home on a Monday to be shared with an adult at home. Please ensure to sign your child's reading diary each week.

Autumn term Literacy

This half term we will continue to consolidate our Phase 5 phonics knowledge and begin learning spelling rules and developing our SPaG skills. We will learn how to write riddles, traditional tales, folk tales and information texts.

Autumn term Maths

In maths this half term our topics include money and multiplication and division. Talking about money and using money in context at home will greatly support your child in this topic. Well done for a fantastic effort on Numbots so far. It would be great if you could continue to allow your child the opportunity to access this

at home to develop their mathematical skills through a fun approach. Please let me know if you have any questions about Numbots and I will be more than happy to help!

Autumn Term Topics

I am very excited about our history topic this half term... The Great Fire of Newcastle and Gateshead! This follows on from the Great Fire of London topic and brings history closer to home for the children. I am hoping to plan a visit to the Quayside as part of this topic. In science we will be learning about Everyday Materials. We will make music in computing and create our own moving vehicles in DT. This is a brilliant half term and I am sure the children are going to enjoy their topics... I know I will!

Extra Curricular Activities

Tuesday- Karate Club Y1-4

Thursday - Multi Skills club for Y2

Year 2 will spend time with Mr Vallance every Thursday learning how to play the trumpet this half term!

Rocksteady and keyboard tuition will continue throughout the Spring term.

Kind regards,

Miss Aimee Todd