

Reading

Try to read with your child every night, if possible. Please can you sign in their red reading record book to say they have read with you (comments are optional) and write the title of the book. Your child can then change their reading book themselves the next morning. If your child has read at home then they will earn themselves an appropriate every time as well as a tick on their reading reward chart! Some of the books are longer than others so if your child has read a few pages please make a note of the pages and your child will still get an appropriate. Please use the question prompts that are in the reading diary to help to develop your child's comprehension skills.

Homework

As well as reading with your child, please continue to support your child with their maths Learn by Heart and spellings homework. We are always happy to see stories and extra research from your child if they want to do this at home.

Please make sure that your child keeps their maths homework book and blue spelling book in their book bag. Thank you.

PE

PE is on Wednesday and Friday.

Please make sure your child has outdoor and indoor PE kit. They will therefore need a white or light blue T shirt, navy or black shorts, tracksuit bottoms, warm long sleeved top and trainers or outdoor pumps.

Shoes

Please make sure your child has indoor shoes, these can be either pumps or soft shoes.

Water bottles

If your child brings a water bottle to school please can you write their name and send a bottle that can be reused.

Year Two

Curriculum Newsletter



Our topic is...
Mexico

Summer 1
2018

We hope that you had an enjoyable Easter holiday.

Dates

Mexican Day – date yet to be confirmed. A letter will be given to your child soon.

We will be doing lots of art activities and making our own tortilla wraps. Your child can dress up with a Mexican theme. For example they could wear a sombrero, poncho or Spanish dress. Or they could wear clothes that are the colour of the Mexican flag – green, red and white. **You are welcome to join us at the end of the day at 2.45pm to see what we have been doing during the day.**

PLEASE CAN YOUR CHILD BRING ONE SMALL EMPTY PLASTIC BOTTLE TO SCHOOL BEFORE FRIDAY 4th May.

Trip to Nell Bank in Summer 2– a letter will soon be given to your child. The trip is on Wednesday 20th June.

We will be completing the Year 2 SATs Reading and Maths tests during the week commencing 14th and 21st May.

This term Year Two will be learning...

English

We will be starting a new fiction book about being scared of the dark. We will spend time predicting what might happen in the story and discussing what we are scared of too. We will retell the story and be thinking how we can improve our own writing. This will be in addition to our continuing work on phonics. We will be reading some Horrid Henry books so we can write a character description and also a letter. **If you have any Horrid Henry books that we can borrow to read in class please send them in to your child's class teacher – especially the Early Reader Horrid Henry books.**

Maths

In Maths we will be learning how to work out fractions of numbers – in Year 2 the children need to know $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{2}{4}$. We will be looking at 2D and 3D shapes so we know the name and can describe the properties of shapes. Next we will continue our work on money, including both addition and subtraction. Please continue to help your child learn 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Well done to those children who have already received their times table certificates!

Science

Over the half term the children will be revising work on Materials and they will be doing several investigations to help us think about the properties of different materials.

D.T.

The children have designed their wheeled vehicles and are finishing their projects this half term.

Art

On Mexican Day we will be making lots of Mexican artwork using paint, pastel, modroc and clay.

R.E

Our work will focus on precious things. We will think about what is precious to us and why, as well as precious things in different religions.

Geography

We will be comparing a Mexican family to our own family. We will learn more about a Mexican village and thinking about the similarities and differences to where we live.

PSHE

Our focus is living in a multicultural community. We will learn about food from different countries.

Music

In music we will be focussing on a new song about friendship.

Computing

We will be using programs to represent data on graphs which we will then be interpreting.

P.E

Children will be taking part in a multi sports unit. This will involve lessons on football and hockey skills, jumping and sprinting, rugby skills, golf and frisbee.

They will also be improving their skipping skills this half term.