



# Year Two Newsletter

## Mrs. Adams

### Summer Term 5; 2024-2025



#### Dear Parents/ Carers

Welcome back to School after the Easter holidays. I hope everyone has had a relaxing break. As always, we have an extremely busy term ahead.

Our new topic is called 'Magnificent Monarchs.' This topic will last a full-term and will take us through until the end of the school year! In this topic we will learn about the English and British monarchy from AD 871 to the present day. Using timelines, information about royal palaces, portraits and other historical sources, the children will build up an understanding of the monarchs. We will then research six of the most significant sovereigns in British history. There is an art project based on portraits and a Design Technology project focusing on levers. The science topic for the rest of this half term is 'Animal Survival' and after the May Half term holiday our topic is 'Plants.'



#### Class read.

We are currently reading (and very much enjoying) The 13- Storey Tree House. Once this is finished we will be reading 'The Last Bear.' This book was the winner of the Blue Peter awards in 2022 and is all about a little girl who meets a starving, lonely polar bear which is far from home. She is determined to save the bear and so she begins the most important journey of her life!



#### Whitehall Trip

Our 2 days at Whitehall are on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June. We will be setting off around 9am so please be in school promptly at the usual time. We will be returning to school at 4.45pm.

Your child will need warm clothes for the day. They will need a coat, a hoodie/ jumper, tracksuit bottoms/ leggings and a pair of trainers. The activities onsite are in quite shaded areas so even if the weather is hot, it can get quite cold whilst completing the activities. Layers are definitely the best option!

Your child will need a packed lunch, drinks and snacks for the day. If you would like school to provide a packed lunch for your child, please let Miss. Moody/ office know by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

#### Homework

I will continue to send homework home on Class Dojo on Friday's. This half term I will be sending Literacy, Mathematics, reading, spellings and RWI videos home on the homework sheet. For the topic part of the homework, I am going to set a mini project for the children to complete if they wish. This is to create a habitat diorama for an animal of their choice which they saw at Chester Zoo on our class trip. (There are lots of habitat diorama examples on Google!) This homework can be completed throughout the term and should be brought in to school on the last week of the term to show the other children. As this is a termly project, I will not be including a topic homework on the weekly homework sheet this half term.



#### P.E

This term, PE sessions will be every Monday afternoon with Mrs. Fisher.

Please ensure earrings are removed or covered for PE sessions.

#### We will be continuing with Forest school again for this half

term. Sessions will continue to be on Friday afternoon. Please make sure your child has a waterproof coat and wellies in school for the session. Hopefully the weather stays nice so the woodland doesn't get too muddy! Thank you.

#### Sun cream

As the weather gets hotter, please remember to put sun cream on your child in the morning. If you choose to send sun cream in to school for your child to put on themselves, please make sure you have shown them how to apply it correctly and the correct amount they are to use. The children will be expected to apply their own sun cream if you choose to send it in for them.

The children will have to keep their sun cream in their bags, but it might be a good idea to put their names on the bottles so we can return them if they are left out.

#### Water Bottles.

As the weather warms up, please make sure your child has a water bottle in school. They can bring any water bottle into school- it doesn't need to be a school one. Please do not give your child juice, it should be water only. Children can access their water bottle at any time during the school day.

#### Beach Huts Design Technology Project

The children have now completed their beach hut DT projects and I have to say, they look fantastic! They really enjoyed using their measuring and sawing skills to cut up the pieces of wood and demonstrated some fantastic teamwork when supporting their partners. Even though constructing the frame was tricky, everyone tried really hard and showed super resilience.



#### Reading folders.

Please remember to return reading folders to school every Thursday. Your child's phonics teacher needs time to change their groups reading books so they can be returned back to you on Friday.

#### Diary Dates:

5/5/25 Bank Holiday  
16/5/25 Y2's Whitehall trip (Day 1)  
23/5/25 Break up for half term.  
2/6/25 Inset Day  
6/6/25 Y2's Whitehall trip (Day 2)  
7/7/25 Summer disco  
23/7/25 Break up for the Summer Holidays

#### Contact

If you have any concerns or questions, please email, Dojo or wait to speak to me at home time once children have been dismissed. Please remember I usually check Dojo before and after school so if something requires my attention during the school day, it is best to contact the school office so your message can be passed on.