



Year Two Newsletter

Mrs. Adams

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Dear Parents/ Carers

Welcome back to School after the half term holidays. I hope everyone has had a relaxing break. As always, we have a busy term ahead. We are continuing with our topic 'Coastline.' This half term we will be focusing on Whitby in the Geography part of the topic. We will be looking at what Whitby was like in the past and the types of jobs people used to do. We will be finishing off our Yayoi Kusama flower-head sculptures then moving onto our DT project. In our 'Beach Hut' project, we will be learning different joining techniques and will be constructing our own mini beach huts using a wooden frame structure. We will also be learning how to measure lengths carefully and use a saw correctly to cut wood. In Science we will be starting a new topic on 'plants.'



Class reads.

Last half term we started to read 'The boy who grew dragons.' The children really seem to be enjoying it and are always excited to hear the next part! Once this chapter book is finished, I will be reading 'The 13 storey Tree House, which was a big hit with last years' class.'



Homework and reading books

I will continue to send homework home on Class Dojo on Friday's.

Please remember to mark off in reading records each time you have heard your child read. It is important we know that children are completing the 5 minutes reading practise each night as part of their expected minimum homework.

Please take care of RWI reading books and bookbag books. We only have 10 copies of each book in school and they are very expensive to replace. It is important to keep books in reading folders when in book bags to protect them from water bottle spillages etc.

Please remember to bring reading folders into school each Thursday so phonics teachers have time to change their groups books before they are sent home again on Friday. Thank you.

Reading

I am pleased with how reading is progressing in Y2. The children are becoming more confident with their reading and are starting to become quite fluent. In the second half of Y2 we look to build up reading stamina, so please encourage your child to read more of their book and continue with a good level of fluency.

Comprehension and gathering information and evidence from a text is also a very important skill, so please ensure you ask your child more detailed questions about their text, such as 'what word in the text means the same as...?' 'Why do you think the character did/ said that?' 'Can you retell the story to me in 4 sentences?' etc.

Parents Evening

The two Parents evening dates are **Monday 16th March and Wednesday 18th March from 3.30-6.30pm.**

Appointments can be either face to face or by phone call. I have sent a Dojo to you all with your time slot on.

If you require a phone call appointment, please send me a Dojo with the phone number you wish to be contacted on.

As always, everyone's appointment time is limited to 10 mins. If we still have things we need to discuss, we will need to arrange a different time to continue our conversation.

Water Bottles.

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 don't give your child juice-water only.

Children have access to their water bottle all day so can drink whenever they feel thirsty.



World Book Day

World Book Day this year is on Thursday 5th March.

Children can come to school wearing their comfy clothes or pyjamas for the day. There is also a range of cosy reading experiences which have been planned for the day. If your child has already got a world book day costume prepared, they are welcome to wear that instead.

Break time snacks

In KS1 children are given a free piece of fruit at break times. If you wish to send your child a snack into school, please can it be fruit or a healthy snack. Sugary cereal bars and fruit in the form of sweets/ pancakes are not permitted. The school tuck shop is open on Mondays and Fridays and there is a wide range of healthy items available which each cost 20p.

Class trip to Chester Zoo (advance notice)

On Thursday 23rd April (after Easter) Y2 will be going to Chester Zoo. This links with our science topic 'animal habitats.' We will be looking at where in the world animals come from and the habitat's they would live in. During the day, we will be doing a workshop on 'living things and their habitats.' We will be leaving early (8.30am) and arriving back to school later (4.30pm) to make the most of our Chester Zoo experience. Information about our trip and the cost will follow shortly.

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.