



## Year 2 Summer Term Newsletter

### April 2024

Welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful Easter break and are ready for a busy but exciting final term in Year 2. Where does time go?! We just want to take this opportunity to thank you for all the support you have given the school over the last 2 terms: all the events; non-uniform days; reading at home; practicing spellings... The list goes on! Without your support we wouldn't be able to do all the wonderful things that we do!

We have lots of exciting things planned, so remember to refer to Class Dojo and the weekly newsletter for important dates and new information.

### Our afternoon learning

In History this term we are going to be learning all about The Great Fire of London and linking our DT work to this looking at mechanisms building up to the children making their own fire engines! We are going on our trip later on this half term to Ford Green Hall to support our learning in this area.

We're going to be making some delicious food this term in our design and technology lessons. We'll be busy making overnight oats, potato rosti and quesadilla. Thank you for contributing via parentpay towards the ingredients.

In Geography we are looking at a comparison study between life for the Yanomami Tribe in the Amazon Rainforest and life in Penkhull.

Our science learning looks at healthy living and plants.

In R.E. we are learning all about sacred places.

### P.E.

Our main PE days in Year 2 will continue to be **Monday and Thursday**. Children are all looking really smart in their PE kits recently and as, hopefully the weather will start to get warmer we will be able to get outside to do our PE lessons.

The children can wear trainers and will not need black indoor pumps. The children can stay in their PE kits all day.

### Uniform

With warmer weather hopefully here to stay, lots of our children are wearing summer uniform. As we move to the sunnier days please remember sun cream and a hat in your child's bag.

Can we also please remind you that long hair should be tied back and that jewellery (including earrings) is NOT to be worn.

### Homework

Children will continue to receive maths homework via Dojo portfolio.

Homework will be issued on a Wednesday and need to be submitted by the following Monday. The number sentences or maths problems need to be written your child's blue homework book.

The weekly spellings will be uploaded onto Dojo on a Monday and the previous weeks' spellings will be tested on a Monday.

Thank you to all the parents that have been engaging with homework and reading, we can really see the benefit this is having in school.

### Snacks

At playtime the children are allowed to bring in a healthy snack to enjoy. Ideas are items such as: fruit, raisins, breadsticks, carrot sticks etc. Please do not send chocolate, sweets, nut based products or crisps. Children will also need a labelled water bottle in the classroom.

### Reading

Reading continues to be a crucial part of your child's education and we would really like to see lots of children achieving the reading challenge this term. Your child only has to read 5 out of the 7 days, and it does not have to be the whole book. Sometimes a few pages and a couple of well-chosen questions about what they have read will suffice. It is equally important to check that your children understand what they are reading by asking questions. This extra practise makes such a huge difference so please support us, and remember to achieve the reading challenge you must sign the diary each time you read.

## Events!

### Willows Fun Run!

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm

Entry forms available from school

**£2 per person to enter**

It promises to be the BEST fun run yet EVER!



### Sports day

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 1:30pm on the school field. Please note more details to follow closer to the time.

### Trips

Ford Green Hall – 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> May

