

# Year 2 Newsletter



## Spring Term

Our topic this half term is: Fabulous Food

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely break and are ready to start the next half term!

Below is an outline of what the children will be learning about:

<p><u>English</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Book Week - 'The Word Collector' by Peter Reynolds</li> <li>• Key Text: Hansel and Gretel by Bethan Woollven</li> <li>• Capital letters, full stops, exclamation marks, question marks</li> <li>• Suffixes - ment, -ness, -ly, -ful, -less</li> <li>• Contractions e.g. didn't, couldn't</li> <li>• Editing our writing using the 5 checks</li> </ul>	<p><u>Maths</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Position and Direction</u> - clockwise, anti-clockwise, right angles, quarter turn, half turn, three quarter turn</li> <li>• <u>Telling the Time</u> - o'clock, half past, quarter to, quarter past, telling the time to the nearest 5 minutes</li> <li>• <u>Addition</u> e.g. <math>23 + 5</math>, <math>46 + 20</math>, <math>24 + 21</math>, <math>48 + 35</math>, showing their thinking in their own way e.g. verbally, in pictures, using dienes, bar model, numicon, empty number lines etc</li> <li>• <u>Subtraction</u> e.g. <math>16 - 5</math>, <math>88 - 30</math>, <math>54 - 23</math>, <math>72 - 17</math>, showing their thinking in their own way e.g. verbally, in pictures, using dienes, bar model, numicon, empty number lines etc</li> <li>• <u>Scales</u> - read scales in division of ones, twos, fives and tens.</li> </ul>		<p><u>Science</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sorting objects into living, once living, has never lived and explain their thinking</li> <li>• Food chains</li> <li>• Key Scientist - Dr Parvez Alam, a senior lecturer in materials at the University of Edinburgh</li> </ul> <p><u>Computing - Data Information</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Counting and Comparing</li> <li>• Enter the Data</li> <li>• Creating pictograms</li> <li>• What is an Attribute?</li> <li>• Presenting information using a block diagram.</li> </ul>
<p><u>Geography</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comparing the human and physical features of Rio and London including landmark buildings, highest points, famous buildings, longest rivers and leaders</li> </ul>	<p><u>Art/DT</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Painting - layering paint to create highlights and shadows.</li> <li>• Wheels and axles</li> </ul>	<p><u>PSHE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthy Me</li> <li>• Healthy Choices</li> <li>• Medicine Safety</li> </ul>	<p><u>PE:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gymnastics</li> <li>• Invasion Games</li> </ul> <p><u>RE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is Lent?</li> <li>• Palm Sunday</li> <li>• Easter Sunday</li> <li>• Judaism - Sukkot and Shabbat</li> </ul>

### How you can help:

- Visit the library to find books about England (London) and Brazil (Rio). Compare stories you have read together with other stories you have read.
- Use an atlas/look at a world map with your child.
- Practise counting in 2s, 5s and 10s with your children and ask them 2x, 5x and 10x table facts.
- Practise telling the time - o'clock, half past, quarter to/past and to the nearest 5 minutes.
- Encourage your child to take part in our Book Week activities, Monthly Maths Challenge, the optional Science homework, Inspiration Station and Picture News.

### Other news:

- Book Week takes place this week! Reading Morning (8.50-9.15am) and Dress Up Day is Friday 27th February.
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March: Children's Theatre visiting the children
- Friday 6th March: KS1 Maths Workshop 9am Small Hall
- Wednesday 18th March: 8.50-9.45am: Parent Celebration Morning - Eid
- Thursday 19th March: Parent Information Morning 9am Small Hall
- Friday 20th March: Red Nose Day
- Friday 20th March: PTA Spring Hop Disco 4.30-6pm and 6.30-8pm
- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March: Easter Egg Competition. More details to follow!
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March: Last day of term, school closes at 1.45pm

Many thanks,

Year 2 team