

Year 2 Spring Term Newsletter

Our Explore, Dream, Discover Curriculum

Reminder that doors now open at 8.35 – 8.44 and we will finish at 3.12pm

Maths workshop for parents is on Wednesday 11th January at 2pm

Over the first half term our curriculum work will focus on Alice in Wonderland. We will be using a range of Alice in Wonderland texts.

We have got our trip to the theatre to see Alice in Wonderland on Tuesday 24th January. Final arrangements to follow closer to the time.

We have got our showcases this half term where we will share a dance and some of the work that we have done during our topic of Alice in Wonderland.

Monday 6th February – 2.30pm – 2ES

Thursday 9th February 2.30pm – 2JR

Friday 10th February 2.30pm – 2SS

After February half term we will start our topic of The Great Fire of London. This is a fantastic topic where the children will complete lots of History learning and D&T making fire engines.

P.E.

Our two PE days will be Monday and Friday from January where children can wear full school PE kit on both of these days. Please ensure that the kits have no slogans on and hoodies are either plain blue or black or the school one. The children can wear trainers and will not need black indoor pumps. Due to two days in PE kit children don't need to wear school PE kit for clubs.

Fitzy Fox

Fitzy Fox is our P.E mascot and he will continue to come home with a different child each weekend. This is a way of encouraging your child to be healthy and active. In his bag he has some resources to make up some games and have some active fun with him. We would love to see pictures of Fitzy and your child doing active things and having fun. Please send us the pictures on dojo for us to share.

Homework

Children will continue to receive maths homework weekly. This will be issued on Wednesdays and needs to be completed by the following Monday. The weekly spelling lists will go onto dojo on a Monday and the children will be tested the following Monday.

The children will bring home a weekly arithmetic test which they complete at school. We mark them and send them home for you to look at any errors together if you get chance. These do not need to be returned.

As we approach SAT's we may send out little bits for children to complete at home to help in certain areas.

Golden Time

During a Friday afternoon the children will have their GOLDEN TIME! The children are allowed to bring a small, non-electrical toy in to play with their friends.

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 or crisps. Children will also need a labelled water bottle to have on their desks 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 sheet!

Remember your children can read other books as well as their reading books, and if these are recorded in their reading sheets they will also count towards the reading challenge. We want to encourage a *love of reading!*

Children will receive 1 book on a Monday and then these can be changed throughout the week when required. It is the children's responsibility for them to place their books in the changing box in the classrooms. We would expect children to change books no more than three times a week. Please remember children still need to be answering questions about books, enjoying the story and understanding what they are reading.

Dojo

Thank you for your continued support. Please remember to check dojo regularly as we will put reminders on there throughout the week if needed.

Please also use the messaging service on there if you need to share any information with us or have any queries.

Thank you

Year 2 team