



# Year 2

## Spring Term

### Newsletter



#### Spring Term Topic



Children have loved the start of our topic "AROUND THE WORLD" and have already seen some souvenirs from Grandad's travels! They will be bringing home more of their own souvenirs following our WOW day.

This term, we will be learning about the different continents of the world. If you have any interesting souvenirs from around the world— please share them either via dojo or by sending them into school. Each week we will focus on a different continent and country and "travel" to a place to learn about its geography or history. We also have art and DT projects also linked to our topic and travels.

#### Reading Books

Please pack reading folders every day for DEAR time (Drop Everything & Read). We try to hear children read a number of times in school over the week. We will stamp books to show they have read to an adult in school. Most children will bring home a reading book that links to their current phonics group and should be able to read these to you fluently and easily. These books are changed in phonics groups weekly.

Children will also continue to use their Accelerated Reader levels and choose their books according to their current ZPD score. Children are responsible for changing their own books in school with support.

Please support us reading by signing and checking diaries at least three times a week at home – they will receive a raffle ticket into our draw every time they read 3 times.



#### Spelling



We start our new spelling scheme next this term. Once a fortnight children will have an English lesson dedicated to a Y2 spelling pattern. They will then be sent a spelling sheet for practise at home ready for a quiz in the net spelling lesson in a fortnight's time. Please support us by helping your child learn these spellings at home.

#### Homework

Weekly homework sheets continue to be sent out every Friday and due in the following Thursday to share with the class. Alternatively, you can post on your dojo portfolio. Homework tasks consolidate learning from the current week and help reinforce concepts that have been learnt or introduced. No new skills are sent home as homework so all tasks should be accessible with minimal support for most children. Spelling and reading also form part of our homework expectations.

#### PE



Children will continue to have PE one full afternoon on a Friday. Please can children come to school in their PE kits consisting of purple t-shirt, black shorts or bottoms and black hoody. Please label everything! 2BW will be continuing our gymnastics unit so need to have shorts on a Friday. The other classes are fine in joggers. Earrings are not to be worn on PE days please.

#### Snacks



A reminder that children will be provided with fresh fruit every day for break times. We are a healthy school so we ask that any snacks from home snacks are healthy. Please do not send in chocolate, biscuit or crisp type snacks for break time.

#### Water Bottles

Can children please bring in a named water bottle so they can keep hydrated throughout the day.



#### Rewards



Children are able to have their name moved from green up to blue or even purple star for displaying excellent behaviour. They can continue to earn blue and purple praise cards and could even visit afternoon tea once they have 4 purple praise cards. We have a few earn this so far. Please continue to use dojo to keep up to date with us and to communicate with us about your child.

Thank you, Year 2 Team.  
Mrs Gardiner, Mrs Whitehurst, Mrs Bryan, Miss Jehan, Mrs Kelly, Mrs Harris and Miss Hawes.