

# Year 2 Newsletter

Term 2  
January newsletter



Happy New Year from the Year 2  
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School

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Dear Parents/Carers,  
We welcome you and your child  
back to school and hope that you  
have all had a good break. This  
newsletter contains information  
about your child's learning for  
the term ahead. If you have any  
questions we are here to help.

## Topic: Prehistoric Britain

**History:** The Stone Age

**Geography:** Locational & Place  
Knowledge UK

**Art:** Cave paintings

**DT:** Cooking and nutrition

**Science:** Use of everyday materials

**PE:** Dance and Gymnastics

**RE:** Beginning to learn about Islamic  
culture.

**Personal Development:** British Values,  
respectful relationships and being safe

**Music:** Music tutor visiting to teach  
children to play the recorder

**Computing:** iSearch, iAnimate and  
iPublish

## Important Dates

6th February and 7th February:  
Parents' Evening

9th February: Break up for half  
term

19th February: Teacher training  
(school closed)

20th February: School reopens  
for pupils

18th March: Math's workshop  
(afternoon)

22nd March: End of term

## PE Kit

PE is every **Monday**. Please ensure  
that your child has a school  
uniform PE kit on to come to  
school in on this day of the week.  
Please see the uniform policy on  
the website.

NO earrings should be worn on PE  
days.

## Join us!

This term we will be inviting you to join us in  
school. On **Monday 18th March**, we will be  
holding a meeting about maths. We would like to  
invite you into school to attend a live lesson with  
your child. We will then have a brief meeting  
afterwards to unpick what we did and why.

## Useful websites:

- [www.phonicsplay.co.uk](http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk)
- [login.mathletics.com/](http://login.mathletics.com/)
- [www.edshed.com/en-gb/login](http://www.edshed.com/en-gb/login)

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We will continue to embed the following skills:

- To use capital letters and full stops consistently, and other punctuation such as question marks.
- To retell and write stories with a beginning, middle and end.
- To use the conjunctions: and, but, so and because, to vary sentences.
- To practice reading familiar texts to build fluency.
- To develop comprehension skills by answering retrieval questions— finding the answer in the text.

We will be writing the following text types:

- Narrative
- Diary
- Instructions
- Non-chronological report

**Please support your child in improving their handwriting. Neat cursive handwriting is an essential Year 2 requirement.**

## HOMEWORK:

### READING

Please read regularly with your child. You can read anything— their RWI book, other reading books, library books, comics, magazines etc. Any reading is good! **Please send books in book bags everyday, as different groups of children will change books on different days.**

It is better to do 5 minutes daily, than half an hour, once a week.

### MATHLETICS

All children have a log in for Mathletics and can play games online to support their learning. Children can do the activities that are set for them as well as play live games.

### SPELLING SHED

Please log on to play edshed.com and play the games set as well as the free play options.

### HUMANITIES

Work from the knowledge organisers may be completed at any time.

## Maths

This term, we will continue to use our number skills and knowledge though some different mathematical concepts such as:

- Multiplication
- Division
- Addition and Subtraction
- Mass
- Temperature
- Picture graphs
- More worded problems
- Money
- Fractions
- 2D Shapes
- 3D Shapes
- Position and direction