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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

## Welcome to Year 2

We would like to start by saying how amazed we are at how your children have coped coming back together after such a long time apart. They have settled back into a new school routine seamlessly and you should all be very proud of them. We are sorry that we can't hold a 'Meet the Teacher' afternoon this year but we hope that the following information will help to answer any of your questions regarding Year 2.

# Reading

- Individual reading due to the current situation where we can't have any volunteers in school, the children will read twice a week (once to their teacher and once to the teaching assistant).
- We are not currently sending home reading record books. Please email us if you have comments or questions about your child's reading.
- Please don't forget your children can read any books at home, not just the school book.
- Talking about stories is just as valuable as reading aloud, as is reading to your child.
- When reading with your child ask questions to check your child has full understanding, ask them to predict endings and discuss characters.
- We love to hear about all the different texts your child enjoys, favourite authors/topics. Please do email us with this information too.

#### **Phonics**

Although we are not able to mix bubbles to hold phonics groups, the children will still be learning all
of the graphemes for the phonemes we teach and will be assessed through a 'Year 1 Phonics
Screening Check' in November. (This is the test the children would have completed in June 2020).

### **Spellings**

- Your child will bring home a list of spellings to learn each week. This will start on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October and the children will be tested on the following Thursday/Friday.
- It is important that these spellings are re-visited so that the children are not just learning them for the test but are using them daily in their writing.

## Topic web

Please see the school website for this term's topic web.

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# Writing

- This term we are revisiting all of the writing learning objectives from Year 1 to ensure these are secure. For those who are ready, we are expecting them to access the Year 2 expectations.
- At home please can you encourage your child to write in sentences using full stops and capital letters. This can be about any topic that interests them.
- Please help your child to practise writing capital letters as this is something many of them are finding difficult.
- In School we encourage the children to use their 'Explore and Learn' books to consolidate their learning of writing and use this to explore their own interests.

#### Mathematics

- Maths work is assessed continually from class work in order to build a picture of what each child
  can do. We use 'White Rose Maths' to support us with our planning. We are revisiting some of the
  Year 1 expectations to ensure the children are secure in this knowledge before moving on.
- In School we encourage the children to use their 'Explore and Learn' books to consolidate their learning of maths.

## Parent help

• Hopefully, depending on the future situation we will be asking you to come in to support children in reading if you are able to spare a little bit of time each week.

# <u>PE</u>

• Each day we have two sessions outside and through the week we will be using some of these sessions to have a more structured PE session. Mrs Knight (PE specialist) will also be taking one of the sessions each week after half term. At this time we cannot use the hall for Physical Education.

## **Home Learning**

• If your child needs to self-isolate, we will be providing you with planning for you to complete at home. We will either email it to you or it will be on the website for you to look at.

We look forward to meeting you at Parent Consultations. Please do email us anytime, our email addresses are below.

Yours sincerely

The Year Two teachers

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