



A huge, warm welcome to Year 2!

We're thrilled to welcome Year 2 back for a fantastic new school year! Our children have kicked off the year with great enthusiasm, making their teachers proud. They've settled into their routines smoothly and are already enjoying their new lessons. This term, we're focusing on building important skills like meta-thinking, self-awareness, positivity and effective teamwork and communication. These will be key throughout the year, which promises to be both hardworking and full of fun. We have a lineup of exciting and engaging activities planned for the year ahead, and we're looking forward to all the wonderful experiences and learning opportunities to come. Congratulations to Year 2 on a fabulous start to the term!

Please can you ensure your child keeps all toys and large bags at home. They can be distracting, and we don't have the room in class to accommodate them. If you have any questions or need any support, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher by making an appointment or sending an e-mail.

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Specific information for the term

### Reading in Year 2:

Your child needs to have their reading book and reading record in school everyday. We are ensuring children develop a love for reading, ask questions about texts and develop their fluency and accuracy by taking part in shared reading as a class, grouped guided reading sessions and 1:1 reads. Having their reading record in school ensures we can inform you what they are doing well at and what their next steps are.

We ask children to read to an adult at home a minimum of 5 times per week. Please listen to your child read, ask some questions about the book then sign their reading record. Any child who reads 5 times will be put into a raffle! We know how busy things are at home so your child could write the date and book in themselves and then ask you to sign it. Thank you for your continued support!



This half term, PE will be on a Tuesday and a Thursday twice weekly although this is subject to change. For this reason, please ensure your child always has their full PE kit in school and that it is labelled clearly with their name.

# Chapelford Village Primary School

## Year 2 Newsletter

### Autumn Term 1



In English, the children will be looking at Troll Swap by Leigh Hodgkinson. They will be focussing on using correct punctuation, creating descriptions using expanded noun phrases and extending sentences using conjunctions 'because' and 'and'.



During Art sessions, the children will be developing their drawing skills and exploring different materials. They will use a range of mark makers to create a variety of effects which are dependent on the surface on which they are placed. In Design Technology, the children will investigate Structures and stability with a design brief linked to our English text. The children will explore which shapes are the most and least stable and evaluate existing structures.

In Maths, the children will begin by looking at the place and value of 2-digit numbers, including comparing and ordering numbers up to 100 and count in steps of 2, 5 and 10 from any given number. They will also recall and use addition and subtraction facts to 20 fluently and derive and use related facts up to 100 and add and subtract numbers using concrete objects, pictorial representations, and mentally.

History will take the children back to events beyond living memory that are significant nationally and globally using the overarching enquiry question: 'What are we Remembering on Remembrance Day?'

In Geography, the children will understand the different parts of the world including continents and oceans. The children will be able to use a world map, globe and atlas and locate the world's oceans on a map.



In PE, the children will be developing their ball skills through a football unit. The children will develop skills such as throwing and catching, reaction skills, passing a ball with control and working collaboratively, as a team.



In Computing, the children will look at computer networks and how to complete an effective search as well as safe passwords. The children will explore technology in the world around us and understanding that a computer is about IT and that IT can be used in different ways.

During Music, the children will explore South African style songs. Their focus instrument will be the recorder and all children will be progressively taught to play and compose music using the recorder as their main instrument.

In Science, the children will be investigating life processes in Biology to determine whether things are living, dead or have never lived. They will research about the habitat of the Arctic, compared to the habitat of the Rainforest.

During PSHE, the children will explore families and relationships including how families are all different and taking into account other people's feelings.