

# Chapelford Village Primary School

## Year 2 Newsletter

### Autumn Term 1



#### Welcome to Year 2!

The Year 2 children have had an amazing start to the year and have made their teachers so proud already. The children have all settled in really well and have enjoyed getting started with all of their new learning. Every day the children have shown resilience, empathy, self-awareness, positivity, excellence and great communication and teamwork skills. These are the skills that the children will be continuing to develop throughout the year. We are looking forward to a year of hard work and enjoyment. We have so many fun and interesting activities planned. Well done for such a great start to the term Year 2!

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 every day. 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 Friday 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.

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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'. These skills will build up to the children writing their own story based on the book.

#### 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.

#### Science

The children will be investigating materials, their properties and every day uses. They will be conducting experiments to test absorbency and effective waterproofing.

#### PE

The children will be developing their static balance and co-ordination as well as creating floor movement patterns and ball control.

**Design Technology** - The children will investigate textiles.

#### Art

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.

#### History

Will take the children back to The Great Fire of London, where they will learn when, where and how the fire started and what effect this had on London.

#### Geography

The children will explore human and physical features of our local area and compare and contrast this to the Yanomami tribe in the Amazon rainforest.

#### RE

The children will explain what it is, why we learn about it and what we can learn from it, before exploring Hinduism and how people express their devotion.

#### Computing

The children will look at computer networks and how to complete an effective search as well as safe passwords.

#### PSHE

The children will explore friendships, feeling lonely and discuss how to manage arguments and conflict.

**Music** - The children will explore South African style songs.