



Year 2 Newsletter — Summer 1

English:

The children thoroughly enjoyed their learning last half term. They loved learning about Major Glad and Major Dizzy, the toy soldiers who were around for centuries. They wrote diary entries from the perspective of one of the toy soldiers, using a range of different sentence types, punctuation and conjunctions. How fantastic they were!

This half term, the children will be using a book called 'The Last Wolf', by Mini Grey, to inspire their writing. This book is a twist on the traditional tale 'Little Red Riding Hood' and covers topics such as endangered species. The pupils will be encouraged to use their imaginations and their developing vocabulary to write descriptions and instructions and they will also use their inference skills to write diary entries. They will apply all of their skills to write a persuasive letter as the final outcome.

Maths:

This half term, the children will be learning all about shape and measurement. They will be focusing on different 2d and 3d shapes and their properties and use this knowledge to compare shapes. They will also be focusing on finding lines of symmetry and creating patterns. In measurement, children will be looking at length and mass.

Children will be able to apply their knowledge to solve word problems and develop their reasoning skills using mathematical vocabulary to support.

Learning Challenge Curriculum: Science

In Science they are learning about plants. The children will explore what a plant needs to thrive and stay healthy and learn about the best conditions for germination. They will also revisit the different parts of a plant. They will be making the most of the lovely weather and our Forest School throughout this topic.

Key Vocabulary: seed, bulb, germinate, seedling, dependent, flower, bulb, roots, shoots, healthy, unhealthy

If you wish to contact your child's teacher, please do so using the following information:

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Please also ensure that all items of clothing, including coats, have your child's name on. We have an increasingly large number of coats and jumpers/ cardigans going missing and this would help us save time looking for missing items.

Please can you ensure your child keeps all toys and large bags at home.

Reading in Year 2:

We ask children to read at home with an adult 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 and the class with the highest percentage of readers within the year group will get an additional reward! 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!

Please ensure your child brings their reading record and reading book in everyday.

Times tables

We ask for you to support your child in learning their times tables at home.

Useful websites are Hit the Button and Times Table Rockstars which are fun and engaging ways for your child to develop their times table knowledge.

Thank you for your continued support.