

# Year 2 Newsletter

## Autumn



### Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to a new half term! Your children are settling in well to year 2 and are looking forward to lots of exciting learning opportunities this year. Thank-you for all the hard work you have done with your children so far, keep it up! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to come and speak to me either before or after school. Alternatively, you can also contact me by email:

[n.moors@crowcroftpark.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:n.moors@crowcroftpark.manchester.sch.uk).

### English

This half term in English we are reading Farmer Duck by Martin Waddell. We will be writing instructions for how to make the farm better and writing some stories too. After that we will be reading the book 'Stay' about a naughty dog (and we may have a visit from a furry friend...)

### Topic

Our topic this half term is Florence Nightingale. We will be learning all about her work as a nurse during the Crimean War.

### How can you help your child?

**Reading together:** Your children are fantastic readers and they love to show off the skills they are learning. Please make sure to listen to them read every night and ask them lots of questions about their books.

**Online:** Hit the Button is a fantastic website to practice number bonds, addition and multiplication in Maths. We will soon be giving out log-ons for Times Tables Rock Stars – watch this space!

**Numeracy Warmup** is a fantastic website to help children practise their maths skills. It follows the curriculum we teach in school and is free for our pupils to use. Just enter the username crowcroft and the password share.

**Homework:** children will soon be given some exciting ideas for maths games and activities to try at home. For now, lots of reading with an adult is the most important thing!

**Reading days:** Children **must** arrive at school at 8:50am with their reading book and diary, ready to read and discuss their books with me. Your child must have their reading book in school **every day**.

### Dates

PE: Our PE days are **Monday** and **Tuesday**. Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school for these days.

### Maths

Our first area of learning in maths is around place value. Children will learn to read and write numbers to at least 100, recognise the place value of each digit in a two-digit number (tens and ones) as well as identifying, representing and estimating numbers using different objects.

We will move on to counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. This is something you can start practising with your child at home. Help the to recite the 2, 5 and 10 times tables as often as you can!

### Science

In Science this half term we will be learning about keeping our bodies healthy. We'll be talking about what it means to have a healthy diet, the importance of doing exercise and hygiene.