

# **Dowson Primary Academy**Year 2's Classroom News

## What will we be learning?

#### **Exhibition Day**

During Autumn 1, Year 2 will be exploring a new book all about the importance of good mental well being and citizenship. The children will complete a range of work based on the book. We will be considering what makes us happy and how we can help others have good mental well being. They will research the importance of healthy eating, exercise, sleep and relationships. They will use this information to create an exciting project. ..Watch this space!

Within the topic, the children will also consider how to have a meaningful discussion and ways to



improve their own learning behaviours.

#### **Learning Muscles**

As the term progresses, the children will be introduced to different learning heroes and muscles based on well known characters. For example, perseverance, noticing, empathy and managing distractions. The children will have the opportunity to practise using these "muscles" and identify which ones they use in a variety of situations. Within this topic we will be looking at a book called "Giraffes Can't

Dance" by our author of the term, Giles Andreae. We will delve further into what it means to persevere!

#### Christmas

In Autumn 2, it's that time of year again! School will be buzzing with excitement! There will be play rehearsals, parties, singing and lots more! Year 2 will also delve into the world of The Snowman! We will be writing letters, describing settings and characters and designing our own snowman.



# Dates for the Diary



GIRAFFES CAN'

#### What is happening in school?

- •Come Read With Me- Year 2 Friday 22nd September
- •Exhibition Day—26th October
- •Parent consultation days—13th/14th November
- •Individual photographs—20th October
- •School open day for prospective new parents—16th October/20th November
- •Christmas Nativity 11th (PM)/12th (AM)/13th (AM) December

### Reminders

- Forest School will be Wednesday and Thursday (alternate days each week for each class) Please ensure your children have waterproofs, coats and wellies in school for the whole half term.
- Year 2 P.E session is on a Monday PM. Please ensure your child has a P.E kit in school. These will be sent home half termly for washing.
- Please encourage your child to read and change their books regularly. We can change reading books everyday!
- Please help your child to learn their challenge cards. We aim to change Challenge Cards at least twice a week.