

September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, as a team we would like to welcome both you and your child back to school after what we hope was a lovely summer. The purpose of this letter is to provide you with an insight into what your child will be learning at school and how you can best support them at home.

Writing sessions at school will centre around the story *Little Red and the Very Hungry Lion* and *The man on the moon*. This book is available on many online resources; such as YouTube, and there are also copies in the library for your child to familiarise themselves with the story and its characters. This is **not** compulsory but would benefit your child if you are able to do so. The Reading and Writing will cover aspects taught in Year 1 to begin with to allow your child the opportunity to further develop those skills.

In Science, this term our focus will be ***Living Things and their Habitats***; where we will learn about different habitats from around the world, MRS GREN and what defines a living object. We are hoping to visit 'The Living Rainforest' towards the end of this term: please look out for further information in the coming weeks.

In Geography the children will explore a range of maps at a local, national and global level, developing their understanding of how to use an atlas to find key countries, continents, oceans and seas. They will learn how to understand basic map symbols, simple compass directions and develop key geographical vocabulary. The definitions of these words and other vocabulary that your child will be taught are available on the Drove Primary School website.

PE will be on a Thursday. Children are now expected to bring their P.E. kit to school and dress themselves. Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly label with your child's name. PE this term will be outside.

We recommend that your child brings in a clearly labelled bottle of water, which will be kept in the classroom, so that they have access to a drink at all times.

Homework will be sent home on a Friday and needs to be returned to school by the following Wednesday. Some homework will still be set online. In order to give you a greater insight into the expectations surrounding homework and how to support your child with this, a second letter will be sent out to you with help on how to access any homework set by your child's class teacher. If you do **not** have an online device please make this known to your child's teacher.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Year Two Team – Mrs Smethurst, Miss Eatwell and Miss Picton.