



EUXTON PRIMROSE HILL

Primary School

"Together we will make a difference."

Autumn Term Curriculum Letter – Year 2 Elm and Maple Classes

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 2:

Welcome to the start of a new school year here at Primrose Hill in Year 2! It is lovely to have you all back in school and hope that the children are all as excited as we are. It looks like it's going to be an amazing year! Below is a brief outline of the areas we will be covering in the various subjects over the coming weeks.

English We will start with getting to know your children and writing about ourselves. We will follow this with stories that have a range of settings, so you may wish to use your local library to find books where a story is set, for example, in places like the park or school. We will be writing about cold places and learning about the Polar Regions with a link to our Geography.

Maths At the beginning of term, we will be examining place value and number, looking at the amount of tens and ones in different numbers and moving onto addition, subtraction and multiplication. We will focus on knowing and securing number facts.

Science We have a super topic this term, as we will begin to look at the properties of materials. We will sort and classify materials and think about what materials are best suited for a purpose. Please help your child to look at the materials used in your home and discuss why they are used.

Computing We will be focussing on how we keep safe when using the computers (E Safety). During many of our lessons, there will be lots of opportunities to use a range of apps and programs and explore how we present information using computers.

Geography We will be learning about the World, looking at continents and oceans and hot and cold places too.

RE During RE lessons we will look at Christianity. We will develop a deeper understanding of how we show kindness and respect for other faiths and religions.

PSHE In Year 2, children will deepen their understanding of feelings and emotions by learning how emotions such as anger and worry can affect their thoughts, behaviour and bodies. They learn to recognise and name these emotions and identify situations that may cause them. Pupils explore ways feelings can be communicated through words, actions and body language.

Home Reading is to be an important part of homework and home learning. When you hear your child read, please sign the reading diary. This term's target is **35 reads by 14th December**. If your child achieves Bronze, then they can move towards achieving Silver and Gold awards in the next two terms.

Please use **Doodle Maths** to help your child's number skills at home as well.

Across Year 1 and Year 2, the approach to reading has been streamlined in line with Red Rose Phonics. Reading Books will not be changed on a daily basis but instead children will be expected to re-read school books to ensure fluency and then comprehension. This is why the number of reads for the term has been adjusted accordingly.

Additional Information

PE days are as follows:

Elm: Monday and Thursday **Maple:** Monday and Tuesday

Please remember that your child will need to come to school in their PE kit (Coloured t-shirt and BLACK PE shorts/skorts) on these days, which can include hoodie or school jumper and jogging bottoms (these **must be black and plain**).

If you are changing trainers due to needing another size, please can you pick plain black or white trainers. Thank you.

Weather We appreciate that there are often warmer days in September but still the weather is very changeable. Please can you remember to send your child with a coat **every day**. As the weather changes, your child may also need to bring a hat, scarf and gloves. **Names and labels inside everything will really help the staff return items to you.** Thank you!

Water bottles Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle into school every day as we will not have access to cups in the classroom. Please label these bottles clearly. The drink must only be water.

Harvest Please send in tins/bottle donations for the Harvest festival. We are collecting for Living Waters food bank and all donations are warmly received.

Christmas Play We will be sending home words to learn for the Christmas Play around Half Term. Please help your child to learn their words so we are ready to practise after Half Term. Thank you.

As you can see, it is going to be a busy term. If you feel that you have any particular interests in any of the above topics please let us know.

Please do not hesitate to email the class teachers **through the school office** if you have any queries. Please do not try to attempt to send messages directly to staff email addresses.

Many thanks

Miss Pearson, Miss Riley (Elm Class)

and

Mr Wilson and Mrs Davis (Maple Class)