



# Welcome to Year 2!

## In Class.

Miss Garda is class teacher.

Mrs Hoyle is teaching assistant, who will be working in class during the mornings.

On Thursday mornings, Mrs A. Parkinson will be teaching the class, covering my non-contact time. This is when the class will have Forest school sessions, every alternative Thursday.

## Daily Routines.

The school will be open from 8:45am. The children will be welcomed through the red double doors on the infant yard. Myself or Mrs Hoyle will be at the door to aid your child.

The children will be dismissed at 3:25pm from the same door. If your child is attending After School Club, they will be collected from the classroom. If there is a change to the collection arrangements for the day, please inform the school office as children can become worried when they cannot see their parent's/guardian's smiling faces waiting to greet them.

## Snack / Water Bottles

Children can bring in a piece of fruit from home, we do ask that grapes are cut in half length ways, crackers or rice cakes can also be eaten during snack time. Additionally, school do also have fruit available for the children to have during snack time.

Water bottles to be brought into school and these will be kept outside the classroom.

## Our Curriculum.

Our main topics this year are:

**Autumn Term** - Seas, beaches, and oceans.

**Spring term**- The Great Fire of London

**Summer Term** – The Great Outdoors.

Throughout the year, there will also be special learning days such as online safety and various others. We are really hoping we shall be able to enhance our learning this year with some out of class experiences too.

## **Reading.**

We ask that you please listen to your child read each night for 5/10 minutes. In Year 2 your child will continue using the Read Write Inc Reading Scheme, which you are familiar with. Every Friday your child will be coming home with a Read Write Inc 'Book Bag Book' along with a fiction or non-fiction RWI book. They will keep this book until Thursday. To develop their understanding of the book, there are a couple of questions at the back of each book for you to discuss.

## **Reading for Pleasure.**

We are so fortunate to have access to a broad range of high-quality books within our School Library. Year 2 will have a weekly visit to the library, during which your child may choose to take a book out. We want pupils to be reading picture books, wordless picture books, poetry, traditional tales, graphic novels, fictions, and non-fiction books. Whilst their Read Write Inc 'Book Bag' book will help develop fluent decoding and understanding, it is very important that they have a broad and rich literary diet.

## **PE.**

Our PE day is yet to be confirmed. Your child will need to come in to school wearing their PE kit. This is a red polo shirt, with jogging bottoms or shorts and a school jumper or tracksuit jacket. Trainers are to be worn too. If your child has earrings, please make sure they are removed before they come to school on PE day. We do ask if you can please ensure long hair is tied back.

## **Homework.**

Homework will be handed out every Friday and must be returned every Wednesday. Your child will receive an English task, usually a comprehension task and a Math's task, which will be based upon the learning that has taken place in the previous or current week. In Year 2, we will focus on learning the 2s, 3s, 5s, and 10s times table so please encourage them to practice these as much as possible via TTRocksStars. Along with homework, your child will come home with a Book Talk Activity Mat, this consist of various creative tasks, focusing around the foundation subjects. Book Talk will be based around the books/topics we are studying in class and will give you the opportunity to delve deeper into the books/topic with your child.

## **Contact**

Please remember to feel free to contact us should you have any concerns about your child by calling the school office who can pass on your concerns. We can also be reached on Dojo.



## **Thank you**

We are very much looking forward to teaching all your children next year!

Miss Garda & Mrs Hoyle ☺