

# Year 2 Newsletter

## Middleton Parish Primary School

### English

#### Reading

This term in reading, we are going to be reading a variety of different texts linked to historically significant individuals and using these to practise each of the reading domain skills that we have learnt this year.

#### Writing

Our writing stimulus for this half term is 'Man on the Moon: a day in the life of Bob'.

We will be using this text to inspire writing diary entries for an astronaut. We will also be using our historical skills and research to write a fact file about Neil Armstrong.



### Outdoor Shoes

Reminder: To ensure all children can engage fully in our playtime provision, we ask that old, sturdy trainers and a pair of football/walking/thick socks are brought into school in a plastic bag.

These shoes will be used for Forest School and field games such as football. Ideally, we ask that these are left in school Mon-Fri.

### Attendance and Punctuality

Thank you to all parents who ensure that their children are at school on every day.

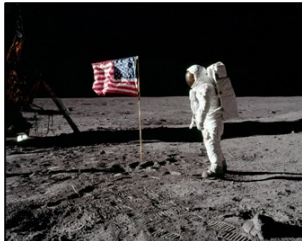
Reminder: We have reduced the staggered start and end of the school day. The gates are now open **8.40-8.50** in the mornings and **3.20-3.30** in the afternoons.

### Who was the first man on the moon?

This half term, our topic will be History based whilst we explore the history of space travel.

We will be practising our chronology skills as we put key events in the history of space travel and also Neil Armstrong's life onto a timeline, using

historical sources to learn about Apollo 11, compare Armstrong's achievements to other astronauts such as Mae Jamison and Helen Sharman and also exploring the achievements of British astronaut, Tim Peake.



### Science

This half term we will be continuing our learning on the area of plants. We will be looking at trees and plants, identifying and classifying these, as well as watching growth. Don't forget to send us photos of your growing sunflower seeds!

### P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School is on a Wednesday for Year 2. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor kit on a Wednesday and bring their wellies in a named plastic carrier bag.

### Home Reading

Children will continue to select books from our class library, with the guidance of the teaching team. This book, along with their vocabulary book, should come into school and back home EVERY DAY to maximise reading opportunities.

All reading should be recorded on GORead in order for children to earn maximum gems! Please do make sure that you're logging your child's reading on GORead.



### Contacting Us

If you need to talk to Mrs Campbell or Miss Lee, please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is  
year2@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

If you need to update contact details, allergy/medical information etc you can email the school office.

The school office email is  
office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional wellbeing and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including sign-posting families to services outside of school. Should you need it the team's email is EandI@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

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### Religious Education

In R.E. we will be looking at the festivals of Ascension and Pentecost and why these are significant to Christians. We will also be exploring the use of symbols within Christianity and the Holy Trinity.



### Maths

In Maths this half term we will be looking at fractions, time and reading scales.

We will be learning how to find fractions of shapes and amounts closely linked to division. We will be continuing to practise our two, ten and five times tables.

To help children to improve their quick recall of multiplication number facts, please can you encourage children to keep practising their Times Table Rock Stars at home as much as possible. If you need your login details again, please let us know.



### Important information:

- All items of clothing must be labelled.
- Children need a water bottle in school everyday.
- Please read with your child each night and record this on GORead.
- Use Times Table Rockstars to regularly practise your child's times tables.
- Spellings tests will now take place on a Monday, for spellings from the previous week.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Year 2 Team