

# Year 2 Newsletter

## Middleton Parish Church School

Spring 2 2023

### Reading

This half term in reading, we will be approaching reading in a different way. With every new text, we will begin by orientating ourselves to the text and really getting to know it, before focusing on a different reading skill each day to develop these skills over the weeks and year.

### Writing

This half term our writing is linked to our history topic. We are writing a letter based on life in the trenches in WW1. We will continue to include a range of language features such as expanded noun phrases, conjunctions, exclamation sentences.

### Reading and Homework

Homework will continue to be sent out each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Tasks will take the children no longer than ten minutes and must be completed each night and returned the next day to help support our learning in class.

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

Please do make sure that you're logging your child's reading on Boom Reader (formerly GORead).

Please ensure your child is learning their spellings at home so they are prepared for their weekly spelling check.



### Attendance and Punctuality

Thank you to all parents who ensure that their children are at school on time every day. The gates are open at **8.40-8.50** in the mornings and **3.20-3.30** in the afternoon.



### History

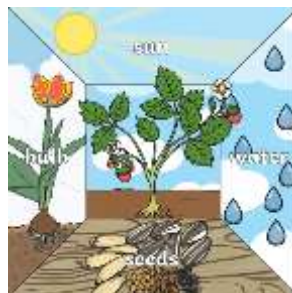
#### Why is it important to remember?

This half term, our history topic will be learning about World War 1. We will learn that Remembrance Day is the day when people take time to remember those who lost their lives in the First World War and all other wars since.



### Science

In Science, we will be learning about plants. We will observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. We will find out and describe how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy.



### Contacting Us

If you need to talk to contact a member of the Year 2 team please do not hesitate to send us an email.

Our class email address is

[year2@middletonparishsce.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:year2@middletonparishsce.rochdale.sch.uk)

Please note that although we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible, it may take up to five working days.

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

The school office email is

[office@middletonparishsce.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:office@middletonparishsce.rochdale.sch.uk)

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional well-being and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including signposting families to services outside of school. Should you need it the team's email is

[EandI@middletonparishsce.rochdale.sch.uk](mailto:EandI@middletonparishsce.rochdale.sch.uk)

### PSHE

In PSHE, our HeartSmart topic will be 'Don't Rub It In, Rub It Out'. In this topic we will be learning the importance of forgiveness and how we can deal with hurt.



### Religious Education

In R.E. we will be looking at Easter and how symbols help us understand the story. We will become with the Easter story and understand its significance to Christians around the world. We will then focus on the symbolism of the cross, bread, wine along with a range of Easter food such as hot crossed buns and Easter eggs.



### P.E and Forest School

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

### Maths

In Maths this half term we will be completing our unit on multiplication and division before moving onto length and height. We will also cover mass, capacity and temperature. 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.

