Year 2

Autumn 2



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We hope you all had a lovely half term break and the children are ready for the busy, fun-filled 7 weeks ahead! Our topic this half term is 'Fire and Treason' in which we will be learning about the Gunpowder Plot and the Great Fire of London. The children will also be visiting the fire station as part of this unit. Of course, the children will be working on their Christmas play over the next few weeks and we hope you can join us for our performances in December.

PE

PE will be on **Thursdays** and **Fridays**. Please send children in on these days in PE kit according to the uniform policy. If children cannot remove earrings, then these will be covered with tape.



Christmas play



The children will be rehearsing for the Christmas play in the coming weeks. Some scripts have already been sent home for those with more dialogue. If you have any time to spare for supporting the children with their lines at home, this is always appreciated. We will be in touch with you if your child's part requires any clothing from home for their outfit.

Reading books

Diaries will continue to be checked regularly to see if children have read at home. We will ask children on PE days if their book needs changing. We do have a book changing box in the classroom, so if they need their book changing prior to this then please encourage them to put their diary in the box. The children need to read three times to get a smiley face for that week.



Spellings

We will be focusing a lot this year on the consistent spelling of high frequency words that we use regularly in our writing. These spellings will be practised every morning at school during morning work time. We complete a 'fill the gap' activity on Friday to see whether children have retained these. We also teach spelling rules in Year 2 and there is a list of these with example spelling words published on our website class page. These will also be practised throughout the week. Any additional spelling practice that can be done at home is greatly appreciated. Year 2 are not having weekly spelling tests this year.

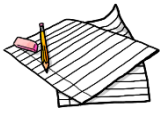


Maths checks



We will be continuing with our weekly maths checks on **Fridays**. The focus will be uploaded to Dojo weekly so that you can practise at home with the children. We also practise this daily in the classroom. Please be aware that sometimes we may stay on the same focus for more than two weeks. Daily 10 and Hit the Button are great resources for additional practice at home.

Homework



A Maths or English homework task based on that week's learning will be sent home on **Fridays.** We ask that homework folders are returned no later than Wednesday.

We are looking forward to another super half term and continuing to see the children progress and shine!

If you have any questions or would like to arrange a meeting, please do not hesitate to get in touch on Dojo.

Miss Conroy and Miss Parrish