



Year 2

Autumn Term



Welcome to Year 2!! I hope you have had a wonderful Summer. I am very excited about the coming year. I must admit to having a soft spot for this particular class, as they were my first Fresh Air Friday children! It will be lovely to get to know some of the children who have joined the class since Reception, and to catch up with the ones who started with me on a Friday.

We have an exciting term planned.....

Our English learning will be based around a range of fiction and non-fiction books linked to our topic. We will be having a real push on spellings and handwriting this term, so please support your child with these. Children will be having guided reading twice a week, and will change their reading books on these days. Regular reading at home has a huge impact on children's progress, so please try to read with your child daily or at least 3 times a week and record in their reading diary.



Our Maths learning will begin with a focus on number and place value. The children will be encouraged to learn their 2x, 10x and 5x tables. We will be doing a weekly challenge using our mental maths.

Our topic this half term is called 'In My Day'. It focuses on how school, childhood and toys have changed over the years. If you have any old fashioned toys or other items that may be of interest to the children, we would love to hear about them.

Our Science topic also explores how humans and animals change over their life time. We are going to be hatching some chicks (fingers crossed), the eggs will be arriving soon.



We will also be going outside into our Secret Garden for part of Monday afternoon. So we will be having a 'Muddy Monday'. **Please could the children bring wellies or shoes that can get muddy and some trousers for gardening in.**



We will be attempting to make some moving vehicles later in the half term. If you start to collect **old CDs**, we will be using them for wheels, that would be excellent.

Organisation:

Monday am	Spelling test	
Monday pm	Muddy Monday	Wellies, spare trousers
Tuesday am	PE	PE kit in school
Tuesday am	Homework handed in (if on paper)	
Wednesday pm	Mrs Fowler PPA time	Mrs Fleming teaching
Thursday am	Spellings given out	Spellings to learn
Thursday pm	PE	PE kit in school
Friday	Homework/Abacus games given out	

We are hoping to go on a trip later in the half term, dates to follow.

I hope this has given you a flavour of some of the things we will be learning about this term. Please come and ask any questions, or if you have **any** concerns over year. I hope we are a very open and approachable team.

If you would like to come in on a regular or one-off basis to help in the classroom, please let us know. We always welcome volunteers!

I am looking forward to what will be an exciting year!

Best wishes,

Katy Fowler

Mrs Shorrocks