

Spring Newsletter Class 2



Welcome back everyone and I hope that you all enjoyed the holidays. This term our overarching theme is 'Up, Up and Away' and we will be looking at the history of flight travel from the Wright brothers up to Neil Armstrong in space. If you have any books or resources at home that would be suitable for our display, we would be grateful to borrow them. Please see Seesaw and the class blog for a more detailed overview of what we will be learning this term. We are very excited for our KS1 trip to Magna Science Adventure Museum on the 26th January and a letter will be with you shortly regarding the arrangements. If you would like to volunteer as a helper on our school trip, please let me know as soon as possible as we only have a few additional seats on the coach.

Start and end of day routines:

These are unchanged from last term. It is sometimes hard to spot who is collecting a child when everyone has a hood or umbrella up in bad weather so please do feel free to step forward (or wave!) if I haven't spotted that you are waiting.

P.E Our sessions will be on a Monday (indoor for dance and yoga) and a Thursday (outdoor for team games) and children need to come to school on each of those two days wearing their P.E. kit and with hair tied back and no jewellery. Joggers or leggings, t-shirts and a hoody or fleece are ideal, as well as trainers please.

Reading: Read, Write Inc books will continue to be changed every Wednesday and free readers can change their books as and when needed. Please try to listen to your child read at least three times a week and evidence this with a signature in your child's reading log. Shared reading of favourite stories, Oxford Owl online, comics and own choice books all count and helps to foster a love of reading. We will be reading *The Creakers* by Tom Fletcher as our class book this term.

Spelling: Word lists relating to the spelling pattern being covered each week will continue to be posted on Seesaw and the class blog on the school website so that you can support your child with understanding the spelling rule or convention. Some pupils will continue to access phonics intervention work in addition to the year 2 spelling programme. Please do keep reading through, and supporting your child to spell, the y1 and y2 Common Exception Words (tricky words) as we will focus less on these in school now.

Homework: Your child will continue to receive regular weekly homework which will be set mostly through the Seesaw app. The same homework is also posted on the class blog on the school website. The homework will be drawn from a range of different subject areas. Homework will usually be set on Mondays and will be due for completion by the following Monday. Please encourage your child to attempt all work set and please let me know if homework causes any issues so that I can help resolve the problem. Optional Purple Mash activities will also be set when relevant. please support your child in learning their 2x, 5x and 10x tables in and out of order and the division facts that go with them as well as recapping number bonds to 10 and 20.

Please do try to look at the weekly blog posts and the regular Seesaw updates, you are also very welcome to join us on Fridays from 3pm for library time and this includes grandparents and carers too. If you have any questions or concerns about any aspect of your child's learning, please do pop and see me at the beginning or end of the day, via email on plattenk@brandesburton.eriding.net or by telephoning the school office.

Kind regards
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