

Summer Newsletter Class 2



Welcome to the Summer term, let's hope the weather is kind to us and we can take some of our learning outside. Our geography unit will be 'Bridging the World' focussing on major world rivers and bridges, and extending map work knowledge from the UK to worldwide. Linked to this will be a history study of the renowned engineer Isambard Brunel. Please look at the weekly class blog to see what we have been up to. We will also be learning about the following:

- Science:** Plants, and then humans, health and exercise
- P.E.:** Outdoor games, cricket, tennis, rounders, athletics
- Computing:** Spreadsheets, graphing and presenting ideas
- Technology:** Investigating and creating structures - building bridges
- Music:** Charanga Music Scheme - the Friendship song, tuned and untuned instruments
- R.E.** A unit called Questions Questions?
- Jigsaw:** Relationships and Changing Me units
- Art:** Sculpture and Painting - Tile sculptures using malleable materials (rolling, joining & smoothing techniques)

P.E Our sessions will still be on a Monday and a Friday and children need to come to school on each of those two days wearing their P.E. kit as we will try to go outside as much as possible for each session. Joggers or leggings, t-shirts and a hoody or fleece are ideal, as well as trainers please.

Reading: Read, Write Inc (RWI) books will be changed on a Monday by the adult leading the session. For those who have completed RWI, books can be changed as and when needed when there is evidence that a child has read at home to an adult. 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. Class percentages for reading 3 or more times a week to an adult are shared in Friday's special mentions assembly. We will be reading 'The boy who grew dragons' by Andy Shepherd as our class book this term and the reading comprehension group will be studying 'The Hodgeheg' by Dick King-Smith.

Spelling: We will continue to focus on the National Curriculum year 2 spelling programme. Although there won't be formal weekly tests, word lists relating to the spelling pattern being covered each week will be posted on the class blog. A weekly spelling quiz will be added to the class Purple Mash account so that you can support your child with understanding the spelling rule or convention. Please do keep reading through, and supporting your child to spell, the y1 and y2 Common Exception Words (tricky words) as these are the ones which don't have phonetically regular spellings.

SATS: Pupils will complete the national Standard Attainment Tests in reading, spelling, grammar and maths in May and outcomes will be sent home with school reports.

Homework: Written homework will continue to be set weekly, primarily via Seesaw although it is also posted on the weekly class blog. The focus this half-term will be on supporting the children with the skills necessary to complete the SATs to the best of their ability. Please do ensure your child attempts and submits all homework set. Every child also has a TT Rockstars login to practise times tables.

Please do contact Mrs Joplin or Mrs Platten if you have any questions or queries. One of us will usually be available before or after the school day or you can email us or make contact through the school office.

Kind regards

Mrs Joplin and Mrs Platten