



Year 2 Spring 1 Newsletter

Welcome Back!



This half term your child will be covering the topic 'Live and Let Live'. Children will learn what living things such as plants and animals need in order to survive and grow. They will also need to consider if humans have the same needs. Finally they will understand the differences between living things and things that have never been alive.

In **English** we will be reading a number of traditional fairy tales, the first being Cinderella.

We will be comparing the differences between the traditional tale and a more recent version.

Children will also be sequencing stories, looking at story writing language and producing their own fairy tales.

In **Science**, we will be continuing to learn about animals including humans, specifically the differences between living things and those that have never been alive, understanding living things grow

Welcome back to a new half term.

We hope you have enjoyed the holiday and are looking forward to the new Spring Term.

The teachers in Year 2 are Ms. Harris and Miss Charlton and the teaching assistant is Ms. Sasin.

This half term we will begin to prepare children for the End of Key Stage 1 tests. Our aim is to make the testing process as comfortable and as close to normal classroom practice as we can. In the upcoming weeks a letter will be sent to parents informing them of a SATS workshop in order to learn more about the SATS testing and what will be required of the children.

We need your help; this half term we are planning to design and make a bug hotel. If you have any spare plant pots, compost, bark, chippings etc laying around please could you donate them to our class project. Thank you in advance.

and reproduce and being able to know the names and characteristics of a range of animals.

Mathematics will be based around fractions and time. In fractions we will learn how to identify halves, quarters and thirds of shapes. We will be able to find a fraction of an amount and write some simple equivalent fractions. In time, we will be able to tell the time using 5 minute intervals.

In **DT** we will learn how to plan and produce a mini-beast hotel. Something that we hope all the children will take ownership of. Children will learn how to use simple tools and materials to design and make a product.

The **International** part of the topic will enable children to know that children within the class and wider school have different home countries. They will learn the names and approximate locations of some of the home countries of children within the class.

In **PE** children will be concentrating on ball skills and control and using ball skills in a team game.



Important dates:

Friday 26th January—
Year 2 Class Assembly
(PM) Parents Invited
(letter to follow)

Friday 9th February—
School closes for
holidays and re-opens
Monday 19th February.



Things to remember:

- ☺ PE is on Tuesdays— please ensure children have the correct kit in school for outdoor and indoor games.
- ☺ Please remember to send children's book bags daily so that they can read to an adult at some point during the week.
- ☺ Spelling tests and mental maths tests will be on a Friday.