

## What to bring to school:

Please make sure that your child has the following things with them in school each day:

- Water bottle
- School reading folder
- Reading books and diary

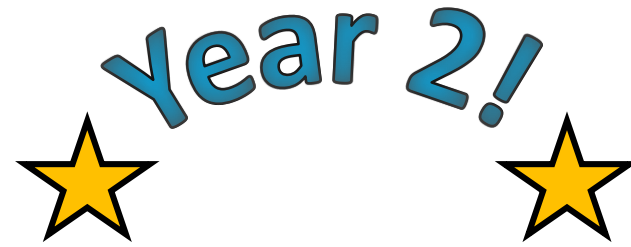


Our PE days will be Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure that the correct P.E. kit is worn. Also, please be prepared for indoor or outdoor P.E. sessions.



## Spellings:

Spelling lists will be handed out every Monday and the children will be tested on the Friday of the same week. The spellings will be stuck in a 'Spellings to Learn' book so please check your child's reading folder. I would be grateful if you could spend some time each week helping your child learn these spellings. This will start the week beginning 11<sup>th</sup> September.



**I hope you have all had a great Summer break. This leaflet will give you some general information about our routines and the topics we will be working on this half term.**

**We will continue to use the Class Dojo App to keep in touch but please feel free to speak to me at home time or phone if you have any worries or concerns.**

**Mrs Garofalo and Mrs Kelley are the teaching assistants in Year 2. Mrs Owen will also be working in year 2 teaching the class on a Thursday afternoon while I am running Forest School sessions.**

**With thanks,**

**Mrs K Dames**

## Reading:

In Year 2 your child will have their books from the banded reading scheme changed each week on a Wednesday. They will be given two books to last them a week. After hearing your child read please record this by writing a comment in their reading diary.

They will also be able to bring a book home to share with you from the class library (and school library), which are chosen for interest and enjoyment. Please read these books with, and to your child, as this will make a great difference to their progress towards independent reading.

The children need to keep their books in a school reading folder (not rucksack) and bring it into school daily.

## R.E:

Our R.E topics this half term will be:  
Beginnings  
Signs and Symbols



## Topic:

Our History topic this half term will be 'Coastlines' We will look at coastal features and study Grace Darling, lighthouses and coastal features.

## English:

English will be taught through books and stories that are linked to our topics of 'Coastlines'. We will start with 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' followed by 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Cat' and then 'Gracie the Lighthouse Cat'.

## Music:

Music will continue to be provided by teachers from Christ The King. The focus will be **Rhythm notation**

# What we ★ will be ★ learning:

## Science:

Our Science topic this half term will be Animals including Humans. We will look at the human life cycle and what happens at each stage of development. We will then look at the lifecycle of another animal.

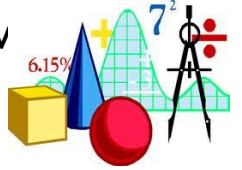
## Art and Design and Technology:

Our Art and Design Technology topics will be taught by Mrs Owen on a Thursday afternoon while I am leading Forest School sessions. The theme is: Drawing - tell a story

## Maths:

This half term we will be covering the following topics in maths:

- ✓ Place Value
- ✓ Addition and Subtraction



We will also have time each week to practice mental maths and general arithmetic skills. As the term progresses I will introduce the children to Mathematics and Times Tables rock stars.

## Computing:

In the first half term we will explore Computing systems and networks IT around us



**Autumn - first half term 2023**