



Year 2 Spring Newsletter



Happy New Year from the Year 2 team!
This term, we have lots of exciting learning ahead of us.

In Reading, we will continue using our VIPERS to develop our skills (vocabulary, infer, predict, explain, retrieve, sequence), linked to the book *Rabbit's Bad Habits* by Julian Gough and *Dread Cat* by Michael Rosen.



In Maths, we are focussing on place value, number work, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions, money and statistics. We will learn to use our reasoning and problem solving skills. Please help your children to look at coins and count money to support them at home.

This term, we will be learning about:

Science: Working Scientifically and Animals including Humans

Computing: My Online Life

Geography: Local Study – Thornaby

History: Famous people, including Rosa Parks, Nelson Mandela, Neil Armstrong and Captain Robert Falcon Scott.

RE: Places of worship, festivals and beliefs

PSHE: Health & Wellbeing, Friendships, Living in the Wider World

Music: I Wanna Play in a Band

Art: Sketching, painting and adding texture

DT: Design, make and evaluate shelters



PE

Both Year 2 classes will have PE on **Mondays** and **Thursdays**.

Your child will require a **plain green t-shirt**, plain **black shorts** and trainers.

Home Learning

Home learning will involve reading, spelling, handwriting and maths. It will be given out on a Friday and will need to be completed for the following Friday or before.

We will be continuing our reading initiative called 'Read for the Stars' to encourage children to read at home. When children read to an adult at home and a comment is written in their reading journal, they will work their way through the planets in order to reach the Sun. When they reach the Sun, they will receive a book and a certificate from Mr Hodgson. Children should aim to read every night at home.

Spellings will be sent out each Friday and will be tested in class on the following Friday. These spellings will be linked to the sounds and spelling patterns which we have practised in class.

Thank you for your continued support!

We are really looking forward to the year ahead.

Mrs Jatwa

Mrs Mudgway

Mrs Bryan

Mrs Heal-Betts