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Autumn Term 2020 – Year 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the new school year. The children have been settling well into their new classes and are learning the new routines.

English

This half term our topic is 'Food and Growth'. Children will be learning to write instructions to make a healthy sandwich and will use the features of instructions texts in their writing. They will also be retelling stories with familiar settings. A strong focus this term is on securing children's skills in using capital letters, finger spaces and full stops correctly in their sentences. They will also have regular handwriting lessons to practise forming lowercase and uppercase letters correctly.

Children will continue to have their daily phonics and guided reading lesson and they will focus on comprehension skills. Weekly spellings will be set on **spelling shed** which children are expected to practise daily. The children will learn a poem each week.

Maths

The following topics will be studied:

- ❖ Counting reliably forwards and backwards to up to 100
- ❖ Place value – to identify tens and ones to partition a number into tens and ones and partitioning numbers in different ways (eg 27 can be $20 + 7 = 27$ or $10 + 17 = 27$)
- ❖ Reading, writing and ordering numbers as digits and words accurately up to 100
- ❖ Addition and subtraction – using and applying in real life context.
- ❖ Multiplication and division – using and applying in real life context.
- ❖ Fluency in 2, 5, 10 times tables
- ❖ Money – recognising coins and notes, solving money problems using addition and subtraction.
- ❖ Solving word problems, reasoning and non-routine problems.

Please help your child to recognise key mathematical vocabulary associated with the 4 operations

For example:

+ plus, add, more, total, altogether

- take away, subtract, less, minus, less than

= equals, makes, the same as

x times, multiply, lots of

÷ divide, share, groups, share equally

Science

Our topic this term is 'Food and Growth'. Through this topic children will be learning about the basic needs of animals including humans as well as the human lifecycle, the importance of eating healthy, exercising and hygiene.

Geography

Our topic is Africa. We will also learn about the 4 countries of the United Kingdom and name and locate 7 continents on a world map. The children will research their class country and learn about the human and physical geographical features.

Computing

We will be learning about what a computer is and explore the different types of computers that are used in the real world and the roles that they play. We will also focus on naming the different parts of a computer and understanding the purpose of each. Finally, children will design their own inventions, which must include inputs and outputs, explaining how their idea works and how it's controlled.

Art/DT

Children will be learning to create patterns through African artwork by studying a famous artist called Angul Walters Che. They will also learn different arranging, folding, repeating, overlapping, regular and irregular patterning through creating their own Kente designs.

PSHE

Our topic this term will incorporate health and wellbeing'. Children will learn to focus on positive body image, exercise and fitness. Our value of the term is Respect.

Music

Our topic is called 'Sounds of Africa'

PE

Children will learn: P.E. rule. They will also learn the story of Diwali through dance, games – throwing and catching.

Autumn term – PE timetable

Class	P.E. Day 1	P.E. Day 2
2 Botswana	Wednesday	Thursday
2 Kenya	Wednesday	Thursday
2 Nigeria	Wednesday	Thursday

Please ensure your children wear the correct P.E kit to school on these days

Homework

Homework will be set on **Google Classroom** and spellings on **SpellingShed**.

Children will receive English and Maths homework and they will be provided with a reading book every week.

- ❖ Homework will be ready to access on **Google Classroom** as from **Friday**.
- ❖ Children are expected to complete their *homework*, learn their *spellings* and bring their *reading books* back by the following **Wednesday** at the latest.
- ❖ They will be tested for spellings regularly and they will be read with each week.

Reminders

- ❖ Talk to your child about what they have learnt in school each day. Encourage them to ask questions to develop their knowledge and understanding of different concepts. **Please read with your child each day.**
- ❖ You can also join Oxford Owl ebooks. Registration is free. You access the website via the following link <http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/home/reading>
- ❖ Please help children to punctuate sentences and extend sentences at home.
- ❖ Practise number bonds to 10 and 20, and 2, 5 and 10 timetables regularly to improve children's fluency.
- ❖ **For your child's safety no jewellery should be worn to school.**
- ❖ Ensure children have their names inside clothes such as jumpers, cardigans and coats.
- ❖ Children can bring in a water bottle to keep hydrated throughout the day.

Thank-you for your help and support once again.

Mrs Khodabocus
2 Nigeria

Ms Adamson
2 Kenya

Miss Arda
2 Botswana



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