

Year Two Newsletter

Spring Term



Hello Year 2, I hope you had an enjoyable 8 weeks of home learning and are now ready to be back in the classroom. Our current topic is **The Greatest Explorers** and I hope that your child is ready to learn some history. Every day activities will be supported by Dawn, our teaching assistant, and Miss Stimpson our Trainee Teacher.

The following notices are:

Please ensure that your child remembers to change their book when they come into school. They are allowed to change their book every morning, where we will guide them to ensure they are picking a book at the appropriate level.

As part of your child's PE lessons this half term, they will be having gymnastics on Thursday mornings. Therefore, children will require an appropriate PE kit in school for **Thursday 11th March**.

If your child would like to take the guinea pigs home for any weekends or holidays again this term, please could you email me to let me know your preference of dates and I will put these in the diary. My email is shortman.p@welearn365.com





Expectations

We have attached the common exception words that children should be able to read and write in Year 1 and Year 2. Please keep this safe and try to help your child learn these spellings.

The Greatest Explorers

During this topic, the children will be learning about different explorers in history and what they are famous for. They will be looking at the type of places they explored and discuss the traits of an explorer. Please see attached a **Knowledge Organiser** which provides more information about what they will learn in their Topic lessons.

Homework

Spellings will be regularly sent home **by email and homeroom** for children to learn. They will be tested in school on a Friday. Please help your child learn these spellings.



It is still very important that they are having many opportunities to read at home and have a story read to them. This will also be an area we are focusing on during the school day, therefore, additional reading at home will also be beneficial to your child.

Every Friday your child will also complete a Maths Passport Test. They will have a Maths Target book where each week they will have a target to focus on. This target will provide examples of activities you can do with your child to help them.

We also ask that you begin to assist your child in learning their times tables. Set out in Government guidelines, is the expectation that children leave Year 2 fluent in the 2,5 and 10 times tables. We will regularly focus on this during lessons but also hope that this is often addressed at home too.

English and Maths homework will be sent home in alternating weeks. This will be a task for your child to complete, linked to the work they have been doing in class. It will be sent home on a Friday and is expected in on Wednesday. If there is a problem with getting your child's homework completed in time, please let me know.

Homeroom

We shall be continuing to use the Homeroom app. Please email me if you have not signed up.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read this. Any questions, do ask.

Miss Shortman.



Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1

the	they	one
a	be	once
do	he	ask
to	me	friend
today	she	school
of	we	put
said	no	push
says	go	pull
are	so	full
were	by	house
was	my	our
is	here	
his	there	
has	where	
I	love	
you	come	
your	some	

Year 2

door	gold	plant	clothes
floor	hold	path	busy
poor	told	bath	people
because	every	hour	water
find	great	move	again
kind	break	prove	half
mind	steak	improve	money
behind	pretty	sure	Mr
child	beautiful	sugar	Mrs
children	after	eye	parents
wild	fast	could	Christmas
climb	last	should	everybody
most	past	would	even
only	father	who	
both	class	whole	
old	grass	any	
cold	pass	many	