

Week beginning

31/01/22

Year 2 Newsletter



Importance Notice: We would like to take this opportunity to remind you to only keep your child off school if they are really unwell. Attendance at school is still not where it needs to be and although we understand that often there are exceptional circumstances, time off school really interferes with your child's learning and progress. If your child is ill, as soon as they are better, send them back.

Star Moments

This term we will be recognising children's coping skills and growth.

This week our happy leaves go to:

2S: Isabelle has grown into an independent and caring young girl. She is always willing to help others and her creativity and vocabulary in her English work is outstanding! Keep up the hard work Isabelle!

2V: Akeela, you have been awarded our Happy Leaf because you have shown incredible growth and determination to do well in all aspects of school life. Thank you for being such a kind, hard-working and sensible member of the class. Well done!

2P: Riccardo for becoming more confident in his learning and by contributing to class discussion more. Riccardo has been using his sentence stems in his oracy and he has really blown me away with all his amazing ideas! Well done Riccardo, keep it up!

Congratulations to the children who got the happy leaves this week! We are very proud of your resilience and dedication to your education!



Our learning..



This term, we will start our new topic **The Earth Our Home**.

English: We will continue to expand our phonological knowledge by continuing our Read Write Inc. This focuses on reading fluency and encouraging the children's creativity for Friday's Big Writing. Some children are midway through a 3 week writing cycle focusing on persuasive writing and climate change.

Maths: As Mathematicians we will be working on word problems that involve subtraction. This will be very useful in preparing us for answering word problems in our SATS.

Guided Reading: We begin a new text called 'The Snail and the Whale'. We will be making predictions, exploring new vocabulary and answering questions about the text.



Science: As Scientists we are learning about life in the ocean and how climate change is affecting this. We will focus particularly on the Great Barrier Reef in Australia.

Art: This week we will have whole day dedicated to Art! We will be making a collage of ourselves as statues that have been weathered by the sea.



Geography: We will be exploring the United Kingdom using digital mapping to explore the landscape of each country.

RSHE: We will be learning about what skills we need to cope and help others.

I am brave,
I am confident,
I can do this!



Don't forget!

Children will be given weekly spellings to practise for 5 minutes each night. They will be tested on Friday and scores will be placed in their reading records. We politely ask children to also complete the 'Question of the Week' which needs to be handed in to their teachers on Friday. Please continue to encourage your child to complete their tasks on our online learning platforms including Mathletics, Bug Club and Times Table Rockstars.

P.E is on Tuesdays - please wear your PE kit to school. Fit Friday is every Friday.

Home learning

Please remember to read with your child every day, this should be recorded in their Reading Record Books. Children will be sent home with books and asked to keep them in their book bags which they can now bring to school daily. Children will also be given weekly spellings and their 'Question of the Week' which needs to be completed by Friday!

By the end of all Year 2 children need to know your 2,5 and 10 times tables by heart. So, please log in to Mathletics and TTRS to help you secure a Bronze Badge before the end of this academic year!

Our fun Online Spelling platform can also be used to build on our spelling strategies. <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/> Read all your books at home? No problem! Don't forget the E books and E Audio books!

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