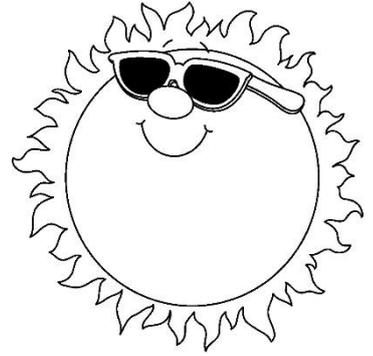


**Summer Term 2024**

## **Year 2 Newsletter**



Hello and welcome back. We hope you have enjoyed the Easter break and are feeling refreshed and ready for the new term ahead! We are really looking forward to working with you and your children this term.

Below we have given you an outline of the term ahead and some information about some of the curriculum areas Year 2 will be covering.

Topics this term include:

Science - Healthy Living

D&T - Preparing Fruit and Vegetables

Geography - How does the geography of Kampong Ayer compare with the geography of the area we live in?

R.E: Christian Rites of Passage and What Sikhs believe

Music: Inventing a musical story

Art - Henry Rousseau and links to other topics

ICT - Making music and Presenting Ideas

PE -Dodgeball and Netball

In English we will be looking at Aboriginal Dreamtime stories and explanation texts and instructions. In addition to daily English lessons the class will undertake a variety of other English activities throughout each week. These will include a guided reading session, daily handwriting practice, and opportunity for independent reading, comprehension activities, speaking and listening activities and word and sentence level activities. We will also link some of our topic work into our English lessons, and have dedicated Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar sessions each week. As part of your child's continuing development, regular reading of a variety of texts at home is extremely beneficial, both individual reading and being read to. Please write in your child's reading diary so we can keep a track on their progress even if they are reading confidently on their own. If a child has read on 4 separate days in 1 week (and this is recorded in their diary) they will receive a reading challenge sticker. In the Year 2 section of the school website you will find a recommended reading list. We will continue to visit the library on Monday afternoons when children will be able to choose from a wide range of fiction and non-fiction books to enjoy at home. Children should return their book to school each Monday even if they would like to renew it for another week.

Children will be given spellings on a Friday which they will need to learn in preparation for testing the following Thursday. Your help with encouraging children to learn their spellings regularly will be greatly appreciated. It is also beneficial to practise spellings from previous weeks.

In Maths, amongst other things, we will be looking at division, fractions, time, 2D and 3D shapes, symmetry and problem solving. As well as this the children will be working on their times tables facts (2s, 5s and 10s and 3s if confident). We would also recommend that the children use Times Tables Rockstars to help reinforce their times tables knowledge.

P.E. lessons will take place on Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit on these days. Please make sure they have suitable trainers for running and jumping.

Homework will continue to be set on a Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday. The tasks will alternate between online activities, practical tasks and more problem solving based activities. If you have any questions about the tasks or methods used please let us know.

Thank you for taking the time to read this. We are looking forward to a busy and exciting term ahead. If you have any questions or queries, please feel free to pop up to the classroom to see us.

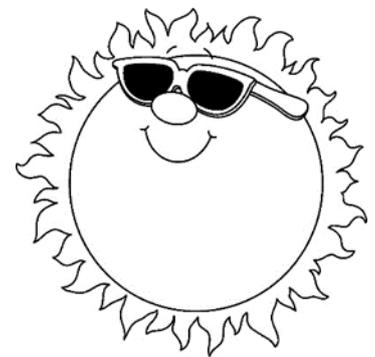
**Important Dates:**

23<sup>rd</sup> April: Scooterbility Sessions (please remember to send your child in with their scooter and a helmet. Some families have kindly agreed to share a scooter, please let us know if your child needs to borrow a scooter.

24<sup>th</sup> April: Open Evening 5.30-7pm

17<sup>th</sup> June: Sports Day

Y2 Class trip - date TBC



With kind regards

Mrs Younger and Mrs Astley and the Year 2 team