

# **Year 2's Newsletter**

# Autumn Term 1 2023

The teachers in Year 2 are Miss Pearce and Miss Eaton

The Teaching Assistants working in the year group are Mrs Woollett and Mrs Trehan.

# Our Topic this term is Movers and Shakers!

In this project, your child will learn five statements from Dawson's model that will help them identify people who are historically significant and use the words year, decade and century to describe dates and times. They will study the life and impact of Florence Nightingale and other significant individuals from around the world. We will look in-depth at significant explorers Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong, and significant activists Emmeline Pankhurst and Rosa Parks and think carefully about the impact of their actions.

### **English**

The books we are reading:

The Magic Paintbrush by Julia Donaldson. Malala's Magic Pencil by Malala Yousafzai.

We will also be using lots of books from the 'Little people, Big Dreams' collection.

The genres we will be learning to write are narratives and non-chronological reports.

#### Maths

The topics in maths we will be learning are place value, addition and subtraction.

You can help your child by encouraging them to read 2digit numbers in the environment and asking them to tell you how many tens and ones are in each number. It would also be great to practice counting forwards and backwards in multiples of 2,3,5,10.

## **General Reminders:**

#### PE:

Year 2 will have PE on Monday and Friday. Please ensure they come to school wearing their PE kits on these days.

#### Homework:

Spellings will be set every Friday and tested the following Friday. All homework will be set on a Friday and expected to be handed in the following Thursday. If your child does not complete the homework they may be asked to stay in on a Friday break time with a member of staff to support them in completing their homework.

**Reading:** Please encourage your child to read at home everyday. Children **must** read at home at least 3 times a week. This additional practice places a crucial role in increasing children's fluency and confidence. Reading books will be changed on a Friday.

### Water Bottles:

Please make sure your child brings their bottle to school every day. They should contain only water.

# **Autumn Dates for your Diary:**

2nd October- Harvest Festival

17th and 18th October- Parents Evening

27th October- Last day of term

6<sup>th</sup> November- Return to school

#### **Useful Websites:**

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/mathsgames/hit-the-button

https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/

## **Any other Information**

We look forward to working with you this year. Please remember that if you have any concerns or worries about your child, contact a member of the team and we will happily arrange a time to meet with you to discuss and help.