# Year 2 - Our Autumn Term

## Welcome back and happy new year!

Welcome back to school and happy new year! Year 2 have made a great start to the Autumn term, settling back quickly and enthusiastically into routines and learning.

We just wanted to point out the following important points. School for year 2 starts at 8.50 am and ends at 3.20 pm. Children need to come up to the classroom with the class at 8.50 am or on their own if they are late.

Please remember that your child will need water and to have their PE kits on the days listed below.

## The Weekly Schedule



**Music** will be on Tuesday.

Poppy and Dandelion will have **PE** on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**.

**Reading Books** should be returned on **Monday** and will be sent home on the **Thursday**.

## What to bring to school

Bag and water bottles
Appropriate clothing for the weather (jumpers +coats labelled)
Reading diaries
PE Kits

## Dates for your Brookfield Diary

Don't miss a thing – you can view the school calendar on our website here, and please read the weekly newsletter which is emailed to you every Friday

W/C 29th September: Anti-Racism Week

Friday 19th September: Year 2 Curriculum Morning

Monday 6th and 13th October: Scholastic Book Fair

Thursday 16th October: Open Afternoon (School closes at 1pm)

27th Oct – 31st Nov: Half Term

W/C 8th December: Y2 Christmas Show

Friday 19th December: Last day of Autumn Term

# Our learning in Literacy



This half term we will be reading Jack's Amazing shadow, Ravi's Roar and Ruby's worry.

We will be using these texts to teach the children about different emotions and different texts types. We will be writing letters, poetry and stories.

When reading with your children at home encourage them to read words fluently and blend in their head if they need to. You could also discuss the books they are reading to enhance their comprehension of texts.

We will continue to read their Little Wandle reading books in small groups 3 times a week. Children are able to take a book they have chosen from class home every week – please ensure these are always returned.

# Our learning in Maths



We will begin to look at place value, with a particular focus on making numbers to one hundred and building connections between the number facts that we know (e.g. if we know bonds to 10 then we can work out bonds to 11).

We will also be practicing addition and subtraction, learning to add and subtract 10 to a number and adding two-digit numbers, using these operations all the way up to 100.

# Our Wider Curriculum



In **History** we will be learning about the Great Fire of London and the impact it had on the city. We will be looking at how the city changed and also thinking about how those from the past communicated the events.

In **Art** we will be printing to create pictures inspired by our work on the Great Fire of London.

In **Computing** we will be looking at how to make music using the computer.

In **PE** we will be learning about our health and wellbeing and practising our dodging skills.

# Key Learning Vocabulary

The following words will be coming up next half term in lessons, please talk to your child about the meaning of these to best prepare them for the term:

- mammal
- amphibian
- reptile
- omnivore
- carnivore
- herbivore
- diary
- digital
- communication
- information
- place value