



# Year 2

## Half Termly Update

### Summer 2

Dear Parents,

We are in the final half term of Year 2! So far this year the children have worked incredibly hard and we are very proud of each and every one of them. This half term we have lots of fun things planned including an end of year trip celebrating all their hard work. If you have any questions about the learning this half term, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of the Year 2 team.

Many thanks,  
Year 2 team

#### English

In English this half term there will be an emphasis on children learning how to improve their work. So far this year they have learnt a variety of sentence types and now need to independently apply their understanding to their writing. As always, the children will read a wide range of books to support their writing. There will be opportunities to create a set of instructions about how to grow a seed, as well as the chance to write recounts about the trips we will go on!

#### Phonics

The Year 2 children are all becoming confident, fluent readers. This half term, children will continue with their phonics groups which will help them progress with their reading skills. Please encourage book talk at home with your child as this will help them to become fluent readers. Also ensure your child's reading diary is signed every day to show they are reading.

#### Maths

This half term the children will be consolidating their learning in all areas of maths. The children are confident with the four arithmetic calculations: multiplication, division, subtraction and addition, but the children must now focus on their reasoning skills and apply their knowledge to real life contexts. There will also be a large focus on measurement: the children will learn about measuring length and volume using standard units, such as millimetres, litres, centimetres and metres. Please encourage your child to use Doodle Maths regularly and to practice their 2s, 3s, 5s and 10 times tables.

## Science

This half term we will be learning about **Plants**. The children will have the opportunity to observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. There will be the chance to plant our own seeds around the school and monitor their growth. They will find out how plants need water, light and a suitable temperature to grow and stay healthy. When looking at their plants, the children will create life drawings of the plants and label its different parts.

## P.E.

P.E. lessons will take place on a **Friday morning**. Children can attend school in their P.E. kit. In P.E. lessons, children will learn to run at fast, medium and slow speeds and how to change speed and direction. The children will also take part in the Daily Mile, this will involve running several laps around the playground to improve the children's fitness, stamina and energy levels in class.

## Geography

This term, children will learn about the four countries of the UK and the seven continents, comparing their climates, cultures, and lifestyles. They will use atlases and map keys to explore physical and geographical features and be introduced to the four compass points. They will also study famous explorers like Columbus, Drake, Earhart, and Polo, and how their journeys shaped our understanding of the world. Through discussion and activities, children will deepen their knowledge of global geography.

## PSHE

In PSHE, Year 2 will be learning about **Relationships and Health**. Children will learn about the biological similarities and difference between boys and girls, but also between male and female animals. They will then look at how we grow from young to and old and that we change overtime. We will explain the importance of caring for ourselves and how to help care for others.

## Music

Children will have music lessons on a Tuesday. This half term they will continue to learn the recorder. This should be brought in each week.

## Homework

Homework will be sent home once a week on Friday's. This will include spellings to learn. Please check the back of the homework book's to see their scores! Please ensure the children are also logging onto Doodle maths.