

Year 2 Summer Term 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers.

Welcome back to our final half term in Year 2! We hope you all had a wonderful break and managed to enjoy some sunshine. The children have made a brilliant start to this half term, and we're looking forward to making it the best one yet!

Thank you, as always, for your continued support with your child's reading and spelling. Regular reading practice at home is very much appreciated when possible. Asking your child questions about their book is also extremely helpful in developing their comprehension and inference skills.

A new homework grid will be coming home this week, with a range of activities linked to our curriculum for this half term.

Below is a summary of what we'll be covering:

English - Our theme this half term is *Urban Metropolis*. We will continue developing our understanding of writing for different purposes, using two stunning books as inspiration. The children will produce a variety of writing, culminating in a travel guide and their own version of a narrative.

Maths - This term we'll focus on statistics (including tally charts and pictograms) and position and direction (using language to describe movement and placement). We will also continue consolidating number knowledge.

Science - Our topic is *Living Things and Their Habitats*. Please refer to the Knowledge Organiser for more details. This topic also ties in with our upcoming trip to the Brackenhurst Environmental Education Centre - we're all very excited!

History - We'll be learning about the lives and legacy of Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole, and the impact they had on nursing.

Computing - We'll pick up where we left off with coding in the spring term, using the *Tynker* and *Seesaw* apps.

PE - Our focus is on athletics. We'll be developing both track and field skills as we prepare for Sports Day later this half term.

DT - This half term we'll explore wheels and axles. The children will design, make, and evaluate a moving vehicle—so make a little space at home!

RE - We'll be covering the unit *Investigating a Jewish Synagogue*, exploring Jewish places of worship and taking a virtual tour.

Music - Our focus includes singing games, traditional Polish dances, following changing beats and tempo, playing percussion accompaniments, and creating body percussion patterns.

Transition to Year 3 - This half term, the children will have opportunities to visit the Year 3 classroom and spend time with the teaching staff to support a smooth transition.

As we are now in the summer term, please ensure your child has:

- A water bottle
- A sun hat
- Sun cream applied before school on hot days

Please continue to inform school if your child is being collected by another adult by speaking to a member of staff in the morning or contacting the school office. As always, we take the safeguarding of your children very seriously and cannot release them to another adult without your expressed permission.

If you have any concerns or questions, please don't hesitate to come in and speak with us or contact us via the class email. For urgent messages, please contact the school office.

Class 2 email: class2info@cropwellbishop.notts.sch.uk

Thank you once again for your continued support - it really does make a huge difference.

Warm regards,

The Year 2 Team

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