

Year 2 Newsletter Autumn 2021

Welcome back! We have had a great start to Year 2 already, the children are settling in well and learning the new routines. It has been great to get to know all of the children over the past few days.



This term we will be reading the books 'Vlad and The Great Fire of London' and 'Ella The Queen of Jazz'. We will use these books to help us write narratives, diaries, poetry and fact files. We will also be completing writing activities to help us understand what nouns, verbs and adjectives are. As well as this, we will be building confidence by reading our work to others

Key vocabulary:

adjectives	letter formation	question marks
punctuation	full stops	nouns
capital letters	finger spaces	verbs

Mathematics

This term, we will begin by learning place value before looking at addition and subtraction.

Times tables (2s, 5s, 10s and 3s) will also be a key focus throughout the year and you can help your child by practising these with them too.

Key vocabulary:

tens	ones	digit	more	less
add	plus	subtract	minus	



Phonics

Phonics will take place daily. We will practise our sounds making sure we can read them quickly and easily. We will also practise blending sounds together to read words and segmenting sounds to spell words.

On a Tuesday, pupils will bring home a phonics reading book for the week which will match their phonics ability.

SCIENCE

In science, our topic this term will be 'Healthy Me'. We will be learning about the importance of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food and good hygiene.

Key vocabulary:

cough	exercise	fitness	food	fruit	germs
happiness	health	hygiene	hygienic	muscle	
needs	sneeze	vegetables			





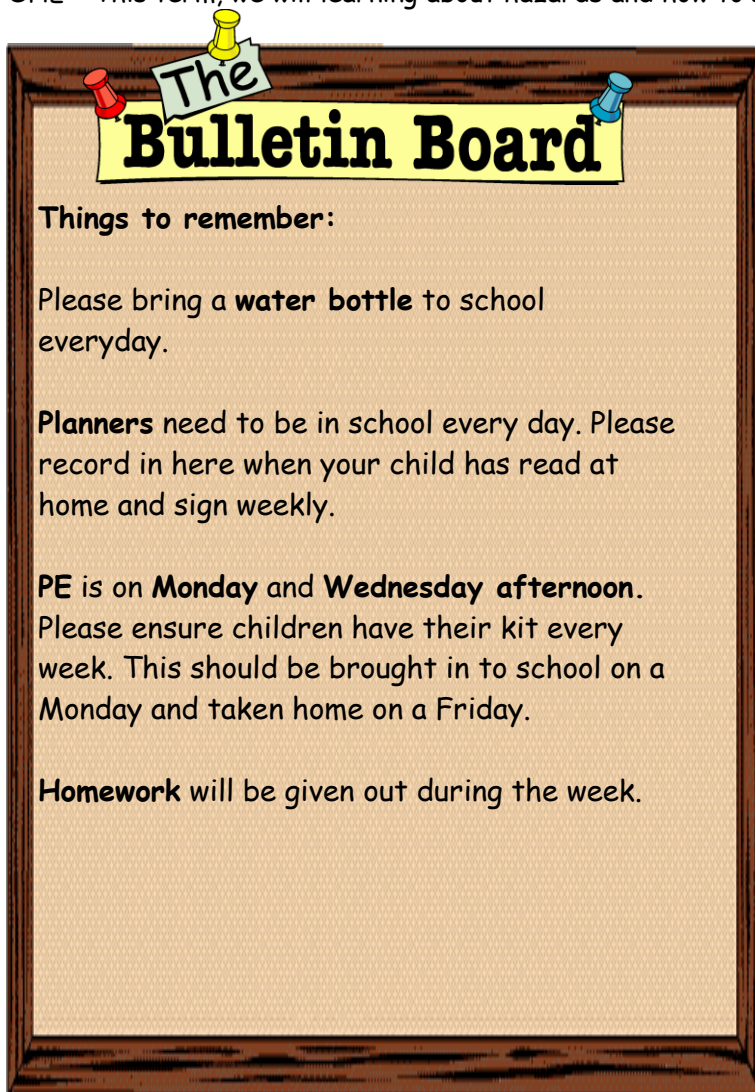
Other Curriculum Areas

History - This term we will be learning about The Great Fire of London. We will begin by learning about life in London in the Stuart era, followed by the events of The Great Fire and finally how London recovered after the fire.

RE - This term, we will be discussing Gospels within the Christian faith. We will read a number of bible stories which help with this.

PE - This term, we will be focussing on athletics. In this topic, pupils will learn different running, jumping and throwing techniques.

PSHE - This term, we will learning about hazards and how to spot them.



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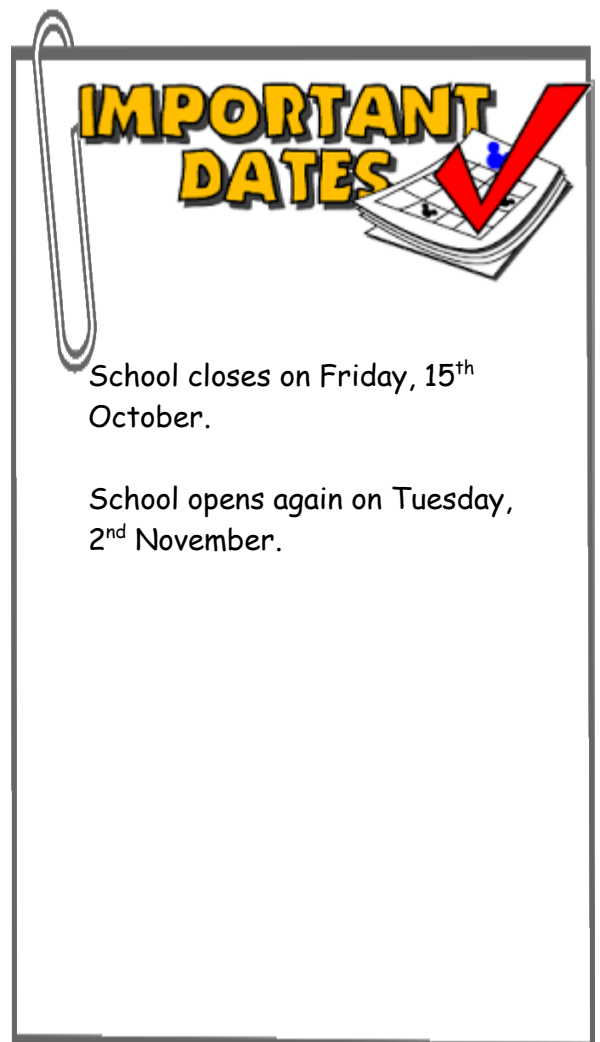
Things to remember:

Please bring a **water bottle** to school everyday.

Planners need to be in school every day. Please record in here when your child has read at home and sign weekly.

PE is on **Monday** and **Wednesday afternoon**. Please ensure children have their kit every week. This should be brought in to school on a Monday and taken home on a Friday.

Homework will be given out during the week.



IMPORTANT DATES

School closes on Friday, 15th October.

School opens again on Tuesday, 2nd November.

Uniform - Thank you for ensuring your child has the correct school uniform - they look very smart. Thank you also for your support in ensuring that the uniform policy is followed and the uniform is worn correctly. Small ear studs are permitted.

Reading - Year 2 pupils should be reading for at least 15 minutes every day. When reading with your child, encourage them to sound out tricky words using their phonics and discuss any unfamiliar vocabulary with them. Regularly check their understanding, as this will support them with their learning. Some questions you could ask: what are the characters thinking/feeling? How do you know? Books will be changed regularly and the phonics book will be changed weekly on a Tuesday.