# Welcome back to school!

We hope you had a restful half term break and are raring to tackle the next term. We have lots of exciting learning lined up for you this term as we head out of this world and into Space! The children were wowed by our topic day and got stuck into a variety of galactic tasks.



## **Class Information:**

Our PE sessions this term are on **Wednesday and Thursday.** Please ensure your child has appropriate PE clothes and footwear for both indoor and outdoor PE. Indoor Kit: T-shirt, shorts, plimsolls Outdoor Kit: Tracksuit bottoms and top, trainers, socks.

# **Reading:**

Children are expected to read to an adult at home 5 times a week, it can be any literature they would like to read: books, comics, newspapers, magazines but please sign and date their diary.

# Homework:

Homework is given out every Friday and is due back in the following Wednesday. Please support your child to complete these tasks as each week we award "Best Effort" and "Best Presentation".

## Spellings:

Spellings are given out every Friday and will be tested the following Friday. The spellings are based on the phonic phases/spelling rules that the children are learning in class.

## Mathletics:

This is set on a Friday and is due to be completed by the following Wednesday. These tasks reflect their classroom learning and really help the children become fluent in their maths ability.

# Adults working in Year 2:

Mrs Dickens & Mrs Partridge from Monday to Friday. Mrs White on Wednesday and Thursday afternoon.



# Year 2 Class Newsletter



Barn Owls Class Autumn 2 2018

#### <u>English</u>

Topic Texts & Stimulus

- $\Rightarrow$  The Darkest Dark
- $\Rightarrow$  Ollie and the Planets
- $\Rightarrow$  Baboon on the Moon

We will be researching the famous moon landing of 1969 and writing a diary entry before creating our own space stories.

We will also be improving our reading skills using The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark as our whole class guided reading text.

For spellings we will continue to focus on mastering the taught spelling patterns and common exception words for Year 2.





#### <u>Science</u>

Our focus this term is Animals and Humans. We will be looking at the importance of food, nutrition and exercise to keep us healthy and looking at how animals needs change as they grow from babies to adults.

# <u>Art/DT</u>

DT this term will see us design and work on making a moving moon buggy.

There will be a range of art skills being used to as we make cards, calendars and other winter crafts towards the end of the term.

#### <u>RE</u>

In RE we will be discussing Christianity and thinking about Christmas. We will be asking whether Jesus was a gift from God.

## <u>Maths</u>

Money

- $\Rightarrow$  Identifying coins
- $\Rightarrow$  Solving problems using money

#### Addition and subtraction

 $\Rightarrow$  Adding and subtracting two-digit numbers and ones, and two-digit numbers and tens

Within maths we will also be carrying out investigations and practising our reasoning skills whilst using manipulatives to show our maths knowledge in a variety of ways.

We will also keep revisiting our place value learning to consolidate our fluency with num-

## <u>PSHE/ Citizenship / SMSC</u>

Our school values. Showing kindness and respect to each other.

#### <u>History</u>

Year 2 will be looking at events beyond living memory. We will be looking in detail at the moon landing and why it was a major part of world history.

#### Physical Education

Indoor Gymnastics Outdoor Multi skills

