



Year 2 Advent Term 1



Welcome to Year 2. I hope you have all had an enjoyable summer.

Literacy

We start the term with The Goldilocks Project, which will see the class sharing books entitled *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*, *Just One Bear and Me and You*. Writing will include a retell, wanted poster, apology letter, retell from another viewpoint and a sequel. We then move onto onto a topic about wolves which will involve reading both fiction and nonfiction books and writing a character description and a non-chronological leaflet.

Our weekly grammar lessons will focus on capital letters, full stops, question marks, exclamation marks, commas and expanding a noun phrase. We then move onto conjunctions. Our spellings this half term will be the common exception words from the year 1 and 2 spelling lists.

As part of our wider reading for pleasure we will be sharing lots of traditional tales.

Science

Our science this half term is animals including humans which will continue for the first few weeks back after the half term holiday. The topic focusses on animals needs for food, air, water and shelter before moving onto exercise, healthy eating, hygiene and animals having offspring. A key learning sheet can be found on the school website and on dojo and should be shared regularly with your child as part of their weekly homework.

RE

Our first RE topic is Beginnings. The children will think about new beginnings in their lives and will learn about The Creation. We then move onto Signs and Symbols where the focus is on Baptism.

Maths

In Maths our first topic will be place value, followed by addition and subtraction. We will start learning our 10 times tables and then moving onto 2's and 5's when the children are ready later in the year.

Geography

This half term we will be learning about the continents, oceans and seas around the world. We will then learn the names of the countries and capital cities that make up the United Kingdom. Finally, we will look at weather patterns in the UK. A key learning sheet can be found on the school website and on dojo and should be shared regularly with your child as part of their weekly homework.

Homework

Homework will be sent home on a Friday, to be returned by the following Wednesday. This will usually alternate between a piece of maths and a piece of Literacy. Spellings for the half term will be sent home and posted on dojo with tests on a Friday morning. You should continue to use Timestables Rockstars. It is also really important that you hear your child read regularly. Reading books will be changed on a Monday and Thursday.

PE

PE is on a Monday and Friday. Your child's kit will remain in school. Remember to come dressed in polo shirt, grey joggers, sweatshirt/cardigan and school shoes on PE days. Children must not wear earrings for PE so please ensure these are removed at home if your child is not able to do it themselves.

For any questions or concerns please contact me via the school office or Class Dojo.

Mrs Currie