Everyone belongs at Reay; we think creatively and have a thirst for learning.

NEWSLETTER – AUTUMN TERM 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a wonderful half term holiday.

This term we have an exciting topic: **The Great Fire of London.**

Home Learning

Home learning is really important and should be an enjoyable and invaluable experience for both children and parents.

Project: Each half term, the children will be encouraged to complete a topic based project. This homework gives the children a chance to practise and perfect skills that they are learning in the classroom and to further explore their class topic independently. Please encourage and support your children when working on their project. There are several projects you could complete with your child this term. Please choose one to complete with your child at home:

1. We will be looking at Samuel Pepys and the diary he wrote. Please encourage your child to keep a diary for a week.
2. The fire started in a bakery in Pudding lane. Please make bread or buns at home and write an explanation describing how they were made. It would be lovely to have some labelled photographs and diagrams within the explanation.
3. Design and make a moving fire truck.

I look forward to seeing all the incredible projects and would like them to be completed and in school on Monday 14th December.

Spelling: Each Monday your child will bring a list of spellings home to learn. Please spend 10 minutes working on the spellings every day with your child. I will assess the spellings the following Monday, including a dictation that includes the spellings.

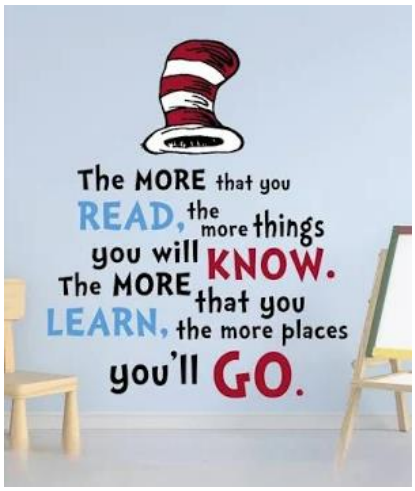
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
gem	table	camel	pencil	cry	flies
giant	apple	tunnel	fossil	try	tries
magic	bottle	squirrel	nostril	dry	replies
giraffe	little	travel	pupil	try	copies
energy	middle	towel	metal	reply	babies
jacket	able	tinsel	pedal	sly	carries
jar	wobble	bagel	capital	shy	cries
jog	multiple	hazel	hospital	terrify	dries
join	dazzle	vowel	animal	sky	marries
adjust	riddle	jewel	oval	multiply	families

Maths Scrap Books: Your child will bring a Family Maths Scrapbook home and this should be completed as a family at home with the child. Please complete one activity a week. All children should bring their Maths Scrap Books to school on Wednesdays so that I can see the maths that they are completing at home.

Nrich has some wonderful maths games that you can play at home. There are resources that you can download, they don't have to be played online.

Nrich
https://nrich.maths.org

Reading: Please hear your child read **every day** at home and record this on the form pasted inside the back of their Reading Journal. All children will have a reading lesson with me each week - please see highlighted day on the inside of the front cover of Reading Journal. All children will be provided with two books following their reading lesson each week. One book will be a levelled reading book and the other will be chosen by them from the book corner. It is expected that both books will have been read at home and responded to in Reading Journals in time for reading lesson each week. If your child reads and responds to both books before their next reading lesson I will happily provide them with new books.



P.E.

P.E will take place every Wednesday and Thursday. Children will need a P.E. kit for these lessons. If your child comes dressed in their P.E. kit please provide school uniform for them to change into after the P.E. lesson. Make sure all clothing is labelled with your child's name.

Please could your child bring a filled water bottle to school each day. All bottles will be sent home at the end of each day for washing and refilling.

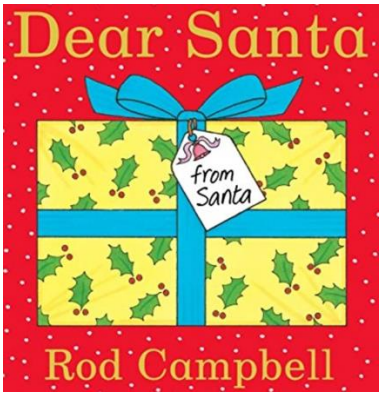
On a Wednesday Jess Edwards will teach Y2 in the morning as I have my PPA. Jess will teach the children Music, Religious Education and Physical Education.

With winter now arriving, please could you make sure your child has their coat at school each day and that they know how to do the buttons/zip up to stay warm.

If you have any questions or want to talk about something concerning your child, please see me at morning drop off or afternoon pick up. When I am teaching, you can telephone or email the school office and they will pass a message to me.

Many thanks for all your support.

The Year Two Team

Dates for your diary:

Tuesday 24th November 2026 – Y2 visit to The Monument
Tuesday 1st December 2026 – Year Two visit to Battersea Arts Centre to see 'Dear Santa' at 10:30
Wednesday 9th December 2026 – Infant Christmas Performance – 10:30 and 14:00
Monday 14th December – London Fire Brigade to visit Y2