



THERE'S NO FULL STOP TO LEARNING

YEAR TWO NEWSLETTER – SUMMER TERM 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday and are ready for an exciting Summer Term!

This half term, we will be linking our curriculum with a topic about **THE SEASIDE**. We will look at the geography of the seaside and compare the seaside now and the seaside in the past. We will also look at the Lighthouse Keeper books by Ronda and David Armitage.

Please see the attached topic chart for further information.



P.E.

P.E. will take place on Wednesday and Thursday each week and all children will need their P.E kit for this (shorts, t-shirt and plimsolls or trainers). Please make sure all P.E. kits and items of clothing that children take off to put their P.E. kits on are labelled with your child's name. If your child comes to school in their P.E. kit please could they have their school uniform in their bag to change into after the P.E. lesson.

Home Learning

Project

The project this term will be to create a model of a lighthouse! I am very excited about this project and look forward to seeing all projects on Monday 18th May. I wonder if anybody can create a lighthouse with a flashing light?

This photo is on the Grace Darling website. We will be spending some time looking into what Grace Darling did that was so brave. This lighthouse is red and white striped, but not all lighthouses are the same. I wonder what your lighthouse will look like?



Reading

Please could all children read with an adult every day at home for at least 10 minutes. I have noticed that all children who read regularly with an adult each day at home as well as in school are making more progress. Please remember that it is important to check that your child understands the meaning of what they read.

Reading days will stay the same at school and all children **must** remember to return all reading books along with their completed reading homework in their reading journal when it is their reading day.

Many of the children are very keen readers who are already developing an awareness of favourite authors and genres. If your child reads books other than those sent home from school, please encourage them to record what they read in their reading journal.

I would also like to encourage all parents to encourage their children to join the local library.

The Book Trust has some great information about why reading is so important, both your child reading to themselves and adults reading to children. There are also some wonderful book recommendations.



BookTrust

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk>

Spelling

All children will bring home a list of spellings to learn every Monday. I will assess the children the following Monday through a dictation with the weekly spellings in. All spellings are taken from the spelling curriculum the children are covering in class.

Week 1 The suffixes - ment, -ness and -full.	Week 2 The suffixes - less and -ly	Week 3 Words ending in - tion	Week 4 Contractions	Week 5 Homophones and near homophones	Week 6 Homophones and near homophones
enjoyment sadness careful playful plainness argument merriment happiness plentiful cheerful	badly hopeless penniless happily lovely joyless slowly quickly careless fearless	station fiction motion national section addition subtraction potion option introduction	can't didn't hasn't couldn't it's wouldn't shouldn't wasn't Mr Mrs	there their they're here hear see sea to two too	be bee quite quiet bare bear one won son sun

Maths

On Wednesday 15th April I will provide the children with the Summer Term set of homework sheets, please make sure your child brings their book to school so that I can do this.

Please could all children complete one family maths activity a week with an adult in their Family Maths Scrapbook and return the completed work every Wednesday.

If you enjoy maths games and want to challenge your child NRICH has some wonderful ideas:



NRICH

<http://nrich.maths.org>

Could all children please bring a water bottle from home filled with water every day. The children can refill their bottles at playtime with drinking water.

Finally, with the weather getting warmer, please could I suggest that your child has a sun hat to wear when outside and sun screen either in school or applied before school.

Thank you for all your support, your children are a joy to teach.

Best wishes,
Alice David-Jekyll and the Year Two Team

Important Dates:

Monday 20th April 10am – Visit to Brixton Library to meet the author Rashmi Sirdeshpande.

