



# Year 2 Bulletin

## Autumn Term 2019

### Our Topic

This term, our topic will be based in Design Technology and Science, focusing on materials and their properties and how we can use these to create suitable shelters. In English we will be basing a lot of our writing around Fairy Tales, making links to our topics where appropriate. Later in the term we will study Guy Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot and also have a focus on recycling.

### Reading Books

Children will continue to bring home a school reading book to read at home. Please spend 10 minutes each day to either listen to your child read or enjoy reading a story to them. Please record this in the Reading Diary and read the comments by staff that have listened to your child read in school. Reading for Pleasure is a big focus in school and will help the children achieve in so many other areas.

### Singing

As well as singing in class, Mrs Porritt from Shropshire Music Service will continue to take the children for weekly singing assemblies which are very engaging and thoroughly enjoyed by the children.

### PE Day

2X: Tuesdays and Fridays.  
2Y: Tuesdays and Thursdays.  
It would be useful to have PE kit in all week, in case timetables change.

### **Class Teachers:**

Mrs Stennett/Mrs Howsen/Miss Heap

### **Teaching Assistants:**

Mrs Rank/Mrs S Barrett/Miss Hunt/Mrs A Barrett

**Key Stage 1 Leader:** Mrs Stennett

### Support at Home

Spellings in year 2 are taught throughout the week and we are not sending home lists of words to spell in weekly tests. However, it would be useful to practise the common exception words at home—the list is attached to this letter. These are words that are not easily broken down by the children using their phonetic knowledge.

When reading with your child, please remember to ask questions about the content of the text as well as focusing on fluency and accuracy. As well as regular reading, please help your child with their knowledge of the x2, x5, x10, x3, x4 and x11 times tables.

### Woodland Work

Forest School sessions will take place on Monday afternoons and the two classes will alternate each half term. 2Y will do their Forest School work this half term. 2X will have their turn after the half term break. We look forward to linking our work to the topics we have planned, specifically shelter building.

Please send your child into school in their woodland work clothes, and have wet-weather gear and wellies available (even if it is sunny).

### Contact Us

If you would like to talk to us about your child, please look for us at the beginning or the end of the school day. After school is best as we will have more time to talk with you.

If you cannot catch us, please leave a message at the main office and we will be in touch as soon as possible.

### A Message from Mrs Stennett, Mrs Howsen and Miss Heap

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all warmly into year 2. We have worked hard to create an exciting and enriching curriculum for your children and are keen to get started straight away!

As you all know, Mrs Stennett will be leaving this half term to have a baby. Miss Gill will be taking over her maternity leave at that time, however in the meantime she will be in school working alongside year 2 when possible in order to get to know the children and make the transition as smooth as possible.