

# 15 September 2023

Welcome to Year 2! I hope that you all had a wonderful summer. I am really excited about teaching your children and know we will have a fantastic year!

Lots of our learning for Autumn 1 will be based around the loose theme of Space. We will begin by writing sentences about aliens and then focus on simple sentence writing through the following texts; Beegu, The Way Back Home and Man on the Moon.

We will also be:

- recognising and representing numbers to 100 in different ways.
- reading and writing words and sentences with Set 1, 2 and 3 sounds in them.
- naming and locating the seven continents and five oceans of the world.
- practising our drawing skills in Art.
- thinking about why the bible is important to Christians in RE.
- thinking about how to ask for help and stay safe in PSHE.
- learning about materials and their everyday uses in Science.
- developing our gymnastics skills in PE.

# Class Dojo

I will use Class Dojo to send out reminders and add anything we have been up to in class onto our story. Please check daily and feel free to message me with any queries and concerns! If you are not on Class Dojo please ask me for a login code.

#### Staffing

Mrs Bradwell, Mrs Forth and Mrs Allison are our Teaching Assistants and Mr Littlefair will teach the children in P.E.

#### Reading Books

Children will bring home reading books which are matched to their phonic level. Initially, these will be based on the last assessment the children completed in Year 1 in June. We are currently undergoing RWI assessments with the children to identify their current reading level - once we have done this, books will then be matched to their current ability, so children may change levels within the next week or so.

Children MUST bring their reading book to school every day. We will read in class and children will be listened to reading their book at least once a week. Fluency in reading in Year 2 is a vital skill and reading in class daily, and at home, will make a huge difference to children's reading ability.

When children have finished reading their reading book, please sign their reading record so we know to change it. Reading books will be changed on THURSDAYS.

## Birthdays

When it is your child's birthday they can come to school in non-uniform for that day!

### Important Information:

- Reading books will be changed every Thursday, but please send your child's book into school EVERYDAY for whole class reading.
- Our P.E. days are Thursdays and Fridays. Children should come to school
  in their PE kit. Please ensure that children have ear piercings covered on PE
  days and that hair is tied up.

Thank you

Miss McCartney