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and Husthwaite Apple Tree Nursery**

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**Spring 1 Information for parents and carers of children in Class 2**

**Date: 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025**


Dear Parents/carers,

Happy New Year



I hope everyone has had a wonderful Christmas.

**Class Routines mostly remain the same:**

- **Mondays: Y2 and Y3** will need their PE kit in school. **Please send shorts and t-shirts as well as outdoor kits sessions may interchange depending on weather.**
- **Tuesdays: Forest Schools**-children will need layers, waterproof kit and wellies. It is January and February weather we only have a few wellies we can loan out and some water proof trousers.  

- Miss Wilkie will take the class **Tuesday afternoons with Mrs Gale.**
- **Thursdays: Mr Shimwell Sports Coaching** so please have PE kits in school that day. **Please send shorts and t-shirts as well as outdoor kits, sessions may interchange depending on weather.**
- **Thursday:** library day.

**Home-School Books**

These books should be in school daily, this helps us record reading. It's also essential for children being able to access their passwords for online learning so children always have access and can work independently.

**Messages**

If the message is urgent please telephone the office, if it only needs answering by the end of the day/within a couple of days you can also use Class Dojo.



**Homework will begin this week-changes to spelling routines please read**



- CGP Books have been sent home this week.
- Spellings will be sent home weekly and I will send them on paper for children to hand in on Fridays so I can see they have practised. I have been doing them half termly, however, I don't feel the children are practising spellings regularly as part of their homework routine so I'm changing things up to see if we can improve this.
- Times tables: I will put a note on Dojo explaining which tables each year group will be tested on weekly for this half term. Times tables will be tested Thursday mornings. Children should be doing a few minutes practise daily.

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**Reading-Important please read**

**Y2 reading:**

Some children will continue with the Wandle scheme. They will continue to bring home books Thursday/Friday as they did last term. Children should be reading their books to you as well as in school this helps to build fluency and tricky word recognition. Some children also have tricky words I sent home in packs last term to practice. This will help their reading progress.

Some Y2 children have now completed Wandle and are ready to move onto our Real Readers for in school Reading Practice sessions. For reading at home they will now have free choice from the Fluent Reader 1 box in the library. These books can be changed Mondays and Thursdays between 8:40-8:55 in the early bird/registration time. Children will be ticked off each time they change a book to monitor reading is happening regularly. We ask 10 minutes 3 or 4 times a week. Some books are longer than others so we don't necessarily expect a change every week but regular changes every couple of weeks.

**Y3 Reading:**

Those Y3 children reading freely from the Fluent Reader 2/Experienced reader 1 books should still be reading to parents at home. The 10 minutes 3 to 4 times a week stated on the homework letter is an expectation for Y3. Their CGP book only counts as 1 of these. There are sections at the front and back for children to record extra books they are reading at home for pleasure. I have children who haven't changed their book all last half term. We will continue to tick off how often children change their reading books so we can monitor how often children are reading and any children who are not reading regularly. Children still need to read their school reading books as well as read other material at home so we know that they are accessing a range of books. Reading for pleasure at home is important but children often have favourite authors or genres of books which then limits their reading experience.

A new Year's resolution for everyone...when you hear your child read at home try to record it in the home school book. This is especially important for Y2 and Y3 children who are reading the free readers appropriate to their level from the library.

**Class Texts this half term:**

**Y2:**

*The Great Race by E.Hiles*  
*The Runaway Wok by Ying Chang Compestine*  
The National Trust Out and About Minibeast Explorer by R.Swift and H.Alice  
Alien's stole my underpants by Brian Moses

**Y3:**

*Egyptian Cinderella*  
*Egypt Magnified*  
*Shape poems a Poetry Shaping the World by Liz Brownlee*  
*Stories for Kids who dare to be different by Ben Brooks*  
*My encyclopaedia of very important sport DK*

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**Maths:**

Year 2 will focus on money and multiplication and division.

Year 3 will focus on their 2<sup>nd</sup> multiplication and division unit before moving onto Length and Perimeter.

*The following link takes you to free maths booklets for each year group that you can download if you wish to support children at home on the maths topics we are covering.*

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/free-downloads#download>

**Class 2 Curriculum Coverage**

Other subject areas:	
Year 2	Year 3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Science:</b> Ch'n will be learning about Everyday Materials</li> <li>● <b>RE:</b> Ch'n will learn: How should we care for the world and why does it matter?</li> <li>● <b>PSHE:</b> This half term will look at: Dreams and Goals.</li> <li>● <b>History:</b> History of school</li> <li>● <b>Music:</b> Dance, sing and Play using the Charanga music scheme.</li> <li>● <b>PE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday: Gymnastics led by Mrs Chappell.</li> <li>Thursday: Invasion Games-Attacking and Defending led by Mr Shimwell.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Computing:</b> This half term will focus on Online Safety and Making music using Purple Mash.</li> <li>● <b>Art:</b> This half term will focus on colour mixing and the artist Monet.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Science:</b> Ch'n will be learning about Animals Including Humans.</li> <li><b>RE:</b> Ch'n will explore the question: What does it mean to be Hindi in Britain today?</li> <li>● <b>PSHE:</b> This half term will look at: Dreams and Goals.</li> <li>● <b>History:</b> What did Ancient Egyptians believe?</li> <li>● <b>Music:</b> Using the Charanga model music scheme: Composing your Imagination.</li> <li>● <b>PE:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday: Dance led by Miss Goodchild</li> <li>Thursday: Hockey led by Mr Shimwell</li> </ul> </li> <li>● <b>Computing:</b> This half term will focus on Touch Typing.</li> <li>● <b>Art:</b> This half term will focus on craft and design- Egyptian Scrolls.</li> <li>● <b>French:</b> using the Kapow MFL (Modern Foreign Languages) scheme of work ch'n will learn about French Playground Games-numbers and age.</li> </ul>

**Thank you for your continued support.  
Miss Goodchild**

**sowing seeds ~ bearing fruit ~ harvesting potential**