

# Curriculum Letter

Year 2 Term 4



Dear Parents,

## Topic

Our class topic this term is 'Towers, Tunnels and Turrets'. As part of this topic the children will be looking at the history of castles and castle life. All other subjects will be linked to this topic where appropriate. We are continuing our science topic of materials and starting our plant topic towards Easter.

## Homework

Spellings for this term will be stuck in their homework books. All books need to be handed in on a Thursday. Children can write a sentence which includes each word in their homework books, this helps with the understanding of the meaning of the words. Spelling tests will be on Thursdays and books will be given back on Fridays.

Maths- maths homework this term will focus on times tables. We will be using 'Times Table Rock Stars' (more information to follow). I will also be sticking in examples of previous years SATS questions for them to have a go at. Written methods of working out are encouraged, although equipment e.g. counters, number lines etc... can be used.

Reading- home readers will be checked at school once a week. The books will be changed when we feel a child is not only confident with reading the text and key words but also understands the story or fact book. Re-read the book several times to encourage fluency. See the questions at the back of the book to aid your child at home. Please fill in the reading journal and should your child finish a book feel free to write in extra books they have read at home.

## PE

PE this term will be on a Tuesday morning with MSP Coach Gemma and on Monday they will be going swimming. Children will need to have their PE kits in school at all times. A PE kit should include: T-shirt, shorts, plimsolls, socks, tracksuit bottoms and top and trainers. Please label all items of clothing.

## Other

- Attached are some ideas for Topic homework. Please choose as many as you like off the list to complete during this term. Children may bring them in on a Friday to present them to the class and every other week they will show them in Friday achievement assembly.
- Evergreen is every two weeks. The children are aware of unacceptable behaviour and are given a reminder then a warning. If this occurs more than once during the day they will take a green slip to the head teacher. If Mrs Woolley receives 2 slips in a day they will lose their evergreen. Certain behaviours deemed to be severe can result in losing their evergreen immediately. Children will have a chance over the two week period to earn some of their evergreen time back. A text will be sent home at the end of each week. Positive behaviour is rewarded with team points, certificates, praise and their evergreen treat.

And finally...

I hope your child enjoys this term in Year 2, should you have any concerns or problems please do not hesitate to contact me.

Miss Bishop & Ms Beastall  
Year 2 Teaching Team

