





Dear Parents,

<u>Topic</u>

Our class topic this term is 'Wriggle and Crawl'. This is a science based topic looking at mini beasts and the different environments in which they live in. In geography they will be mapping their local area identifying physical and human features, using the geographical area. In Art & Design they will be sketching mini beasts and tasting and cooking using honey. Plus much more.

<u>Homework</u>

Spellings for this term will be stuck in their homework books. All books need to be handed in on Thursday when they will be tested and books will be returned on Friday. Children can write a sentence which includes each word to help them understand the meaning in their homework books. On the final week of each term I will choose random words from those they have learnt in previous weeks to check they have retained them, if not we will revisit them later in the year.

Maths- The children have logins for Timetables Rock Stars, which may be played at home. I will also set activities based on their current learning in the classroom. These will be stuck in their homework books on a 2/3 weekly basis.

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 the key words but also understands the text through questioning. Please re-read the book several times to encourage fluency as they need to be reading 90+ words per minute on gold/white band by the end of the year to be age expected. 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 from home.

PE

PE will be on Wednesday and Thursday for year 2 this year. 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.

<u>Other</u>

- Ideas for Topic homework will be stuck in their books. Please choose as many as you want off the list to complete during this term. Children may bring them in on Fridays to present to the rest of the class.
- Evergreen- (a reward given every 2 weeks to children who display the correct behaviour at all times). The children are aware of unacceptable behaviour and are given a reminder then a warning, if this occurs more than once in a day they will be given a green slip to take the head teacher. If Mrs Woolley receives 2 slips they will loose their evergreen. Certain behaviours deemed to be severe can result in loosing their evergreen immediately. Children will have chance over the two week period to earn some of their evergreen time back, a text at the end of each week will be sent home to inform you of this. Positive behaviour is rewarded with team points, certificates, praise and their evergreen treat.

And finally...

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

Miss Bishop & Ms Beastall

Year 2 Teaching Team