

# Y2 NEWSLETTER

## SPRING TERM 2020



Dear Parents / Guardians,

*HAPPY NEW YEAR!*

We hope you all had a good Christmas break. It's been great to hear from the children about the wonderful time they have all had.

### Reading

- Read with your child at least three times a week.
- Ask them questions about the text that they are reading e.g. Why is Biff cross? What made the magic happen?
- Help them to use their phonics to decode new or difficult words. Discuss with them what the new words mean.

### Writing

- Make sure that they hold their pencil correctly.
- Make sure that they form all their letters correctly when they are writing.
- Make sure that they use capital letters and full stops correctly in all of their writing.
- Help them to use their phonics to spell words they are writing.

### Maths

- Help your child to recognise all coins and notes and be able to make different amounts of money with them quickly and accurately.
- Help your child to be able to tell the time – o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to – and know what the digital equivalents are.
- Use Times Tables Rockstars to practise your 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

### Science

- Watch your daffodil bulbs grow and describe the changes you see. You could even take photographs to show us how they are changing.
- Understand the different reasons why plants might die – lack of water, lack of nutrients, disease etc.
- Talk about why plants and animals live in different habitats and think about how they help the habitat.

### Topic

- Help your child to know that they live in the UK, that the UK is made up of four countries and be able to name these countries.
- Help your child to know that they live in England and that the capital of England is London
- Help your child to know that the world has something called tectonic plates and that these move.

### Personal

Encourage your child to be as independent as possible:

- Remember to complete their homework and hand it in.
- Remember to practice their spellings at least three times each week.
- Remember to collect all the things they need at the end of the day – pack up box, book bag, jumper, coat
- Have a go at learning to tie laces.

Spelling sheets are given out each week. Please practise these as much as possible as those children who practise more frequently have greater success.

Our class assembly is on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March.

Kind regards,

Mrs Rooney, Mrs Thomas and Miss Bell.

Please note that your child's teacher is the adult in school who is primarily responsible for children's academic, social and emotional well-being. As such, they are very happy to discuss with you any issues surrounding your child's time at school, and should be the first point of contact should you have any concerns or requests.