

Class 2 Newsletter Autumn 2 2022

This half term staffing arrangements for Class 2 are as follows:

Monday: Mrs Amareia (AM) Mrs Brindle (PM)

Tuesday: Mrs Amareia (AM) Mrs Brindle (PM)

Wednesday: Mrs Amareia (AM) Mr Wood (PM for PE)

Thursday: Mrs Amareia (AM) Mrs Brindle (PM)

Friday: Mrs Amareia (AM) Mrs Brindle (PM) + Mr Wood (PM – alternate weeks)

Welcome to the second half of the Autumn term!

We will be learning about the **development of the Railways in Great Britain** giving them the opportunity to find out about the history of the railways and significant early locomotives. They will also investigate some important historical events, such as the opening of the first passenger carrying railway lines and the Rainhill Trials and they will learn about some of the key people who were influential in the development of the railways. In addition to this they will learn about the development of locomotive technology and examine the differences between steam, diesel and electric locomotives. The children will also learn about the growth and development of the railway network in Great Britain and use their geographical skills to map out some key routes. They will also use their speaking and listening skills to debate the positive and negative effects of the railways on different aspects of society.

Children in Class 2 will also have the opportunity to **visit the National Railway Museum in York on 11th November** to enhance our topic further!

PE

PE will take place on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. For PE lessons, a named indoor and outdoor PE kit is required. This includes dark coloured shorts; a school PE top a track suit and suitable trainers. Please name everything to ensure lost and found items can be returned easily.

Water Bottles

So that your child can have access to water throughout the day, please provide a named water bottle which can be kept in the classroom and re-filled.

Reading

Practice makes perfect! We value the impact that reading at home has on your child's progress. A reward system is in place in school to encourage children to read at home. This includes raffle tickets with an Amazon voucher to spend for a child in each year group. Every time your child reads at home and they get your signature they get a raffle ticket. The more tickets the more chance of a prize! Please remind your child to bring in their signed reading record every day of the week as they will be heard reading at school by a member of staff.

Times tables – KIFS (Key instant recall facts)

Daily practise of times tables and division facts is crucial in Year 2 and 3. In class, all the children practise daily and focus on recall, speed and division facts. Each week, children will be given new times tables to learn so please take time to support your child to learn these. This half term, children in **Year 2 will focus on knowing Number bonds within and up to 100.**

Children in **Year 3 will focus on knowing multiplication and division facts for the 6 times table.**

A letter will be in your child's maths homework book explaining the KIRF that your child is learning each half term and will need to be supported with learning them at home too.

Please encourage your child to use the 'Times tables rock stars' website to practise their times tables, their log in details are in their bags. Should they lose it, please ask me for another copy of their log in.

Spellings

Spelling is a continuous focus in all year groups, and each week your child will take home a green spellings book where they will have spellings focusing on a different spelling rule each week. Each week, your child is tested on a new spelling pattern. The spelling pattern is taught and practised within lessons, but will need learning at home. Please encourage your child to do this as the spellings become increasingly more challenging as they move up in year groups. Some weeks your child may be given a spelling homework sheet to complete, please support them in completing this, this will be in their homework book.

Important dates

Important dates are included on the school newsletter which can be accessed easily on the school website –

www.sledmerewetwangfederation.co.uk

Click on the 'Wetwang School' tab at the top and then on the 'Wetwang Newsletters' tab. You'll be able to click on the most recent newsletter or look back at previous ones too. They are well worth a read and contain a list of important diary dates at the end. If you'd like an email version of the newsletter to be sent to you, please call into the office to request this.

Thank you

Mrs Amareia and Mrs Brindle

Class 2 Teachers