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Whiteknights Primary School

Growing Greatness



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 2. We have had a fantastic start to the term, with the children enthusiastic to learn about our new topic: **Seasides**. Please find overleaf information on our topic, as well as an overview of each subject.

The Year 2 team are looking forward to helping your child succeed to their full potential. The team includes the following members of staff:

Opal Class

- Mr Lane (Class Teacher);
- Miss Lei(TA);
- Mrs Curtis (TA).

Topaz Class

- Mrs Brown (Assistant Head of Year2/3 and 4 and Class Teacher);
- Mrs Raj (HLTA and PPA cover);
- Mrs Morrin (TA).

Year 2 pupils will be having Indoor PE on Mondays and Outdoor PE on Thursdays. Children will change into their PE kit before the lesson and will come home in their PE kit. Please ensure your child has the correct kit to change into for these sessions and it is brought back for the next PE lesson.

Please ensure all clothing and items that are brought into school are clearly **named**. This includes: all parts of the school uniform, P.E kit, shoes, trainers, coats, lunch boxes, water bottles and book bags.

Reading

Your child has now brought home their reading folder. This folder must stay in their book bags and be brought to school **every day**. Please encourage your child to look after the books and respect the folder. If a reading book is damaged or lost you may be asked to pay for a replacement. Included in this folder, there will be a home learning diary. Please record in this diary daily when you have listened to your child read. Please record the title, the pages read and any additional comments about their reading that you may wish to write. Your child's teacher will check that the previous week has been written in every Monday and sign the relevant page in their diary. The children will be given their weekly reading books each Friday. In the next couple of weeks, the children will start visiting the school library, where they will have the opportunity to select a library book in addition to their weekly reading book.

Next half term, the children will take an Accelerated Reader quiz; more information about this scheme will follow closer to the time.

Topic

Every half term, we will ask the children to create something for that half term's topic. This half term our topic is Seasides. Please support your child with creating something to bring into school. This may be a picture, a model, research, recount of a visit, photographs or a piece of writing. Where possible, art and

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models to be no larger than a shoe box. It is up to your child what they create, please let them be imaginative. Please send it into school when completed, (by 6th October), with their name on, so we can share them with the class and put them on display.

Home Learning

In addition to reading with your child daily, we ask you to support them with both their maths home learning and spellings.

Maths

Each Monday your child will be set maths homework to complete in their workbooks. **Please only complete the pages listed each week.** Homework is due in the following Monday from when it is set.

Homework due date	Pages to complete
16 th September	4 – 6
23 rd September	7 – 9
30 th September	10 – 12
7 th October	13 – 15
14 th October	17 – 19
21 st October	20 – 22
4 th November	23 – 25

Spellings

Every Monday, we will hand out a list of spellings for your child to learn. These spellings are linked to our spelling scheme and support them to write with confidence. If you can, please ensure they are frequently practised at home so that your child feels confident when they complete their spelling test the following Monday.

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to come and see us.

Many thanks,

Mrs Brown and Mr Lane
Year 2 Teachers