

# Welcome to Year 2!

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all had a lovely time over the summer. It is now time to welcome all your fantastic children back to school ready to start the academic year. I am looking forward to working together to both support and also enjoy the new challenges the children may face in Year 2.

## **Transition**

Our aim for the year is to ensure that the children experience a smooth transition moving from Year 1 to Year 2. Our curriculum in Year 2 builds upon the foundations and experiences learnt in Year 1. However, lessons will gradually begin to transfer into a more structured, formal learning environment. Please do not hesitate to come and see me either before or after school if you have any questions or queries.

## **Teachers in Year 2**

Class Teacher Mrs Coyne Support staff- Mrs King, Miss Kirkby and Mrs Pearson

## **Reading in Year 2**

During the year your child will be given a book and a reading record to bring home daily. We strongly encourage the children to read at least three times or more each week. Children will need to bring their diaries into school each day to be checked by a member of staff. The children will have multiple opportunities to read and enjoy their books throughout the week at school either on a 1-1 basis or independently. Questioning your child once they have finished a page or two is encouraged as this will help to further develop their comprehension skills and understanding of what has been read.

## **General Reminders**

On Tuesday and Thursday, the children will have PE. The children are more than welcome to come into school wearing their PE clothes ready for lessons.

Any letters or reply slips, which need to be returned can be placed in your child's book bag or given to one of our teachers.

The children can bring their own bottles into school and can access them throughout the day, at lunch time and during breaks. At lunchtime, children will be provided the option of either water or juice with their meal. The children still receive a healthy snack during afternoon break.

Spellings will soon be handed out on a Friday for the children to learn both in class and at home. The children will be quizzed on their spellings the following Friday. Homework is optional but please let us know if you would like your child to take some home each week.

## **Topics in Year 2:**

**People who inspire us!**

**Twisted Tales**

**I am a Writer!**

**I can show you the world**

**Let's Explore**

**London's Calling**

## **Year 2 Timetable**

**Year 2 will be taking part in daily Phonics, Literacy and Numeracy lessons. Afternoons are then used to focus on cross curricular subjects such as: Science, Geography, History, Art, Jigsaw, PSHE, PE, Music, Computing and RE.**

**Numeracy will mainly focus on counting, ordering, addition and subtraction, place value, money, time, shape and word problems.**

**Literacy will focus on fiction, non-fiction, speaking and listening, phonics, spelling, reading, writing and poetry.**

**I am very excited for the year ahead and the chance to work with each of your children.**

**Mrs Coyne**