# Vear 2 Newsletter Spring 1

## Welcome back!

We hope you have all had a lovely Christmas break; we are very pleased to see the children back at school. Please can we remind you to ensure your child brings a book bag to school everyday with their link book, reading book and reading log as well as a named water bottle.

We have a very busy and exciting half term coming up with our theme of 'War time'. During this theme, children will learn about some of the key events of World War 2 at an age appropriate level. The children will have the opportunity to participate in lots of fun events and activities based around this theme.

As always, if you have any concerns or worries over the half term, please make a note in your child's link book and we will do our best to help.

Thank you for your continual support,

Miss Webster, Mrs Bruce and all of the Year 2 team.



# Dates for your diary

16/01/23—Year 2 children to walk to Dereham Pill box

18/01/23—Year 2 parents reading session

20/01/23 - Year 2 Science observation of real heart 26/01/23 - Year 2 trip to Time and tide museum

03/02/23- Year 2 World war 2 dress up day

Please look out for letters with more information regarding each of these dates and events.

## Maths and Literacy

Our theme for Spring I is 'War time' where the children will learn about the key events of World War 2. This theme is considered carefully to ensure it is taught in a way which is mindful of the age of the children.

In Literacy, the children will learn the story of 'The enormous turnip' which will be adapted to take place during war time. The children will then learn the features of a leaflet and will create their own leaflet to inform children during World War 2 all about being evacuated.

In Maths, children will be taught to understand a range of methods to complete multiplication and division.

## Home Learning

We encourage the children to read as often as possible. Please can we remind you that your child's school book should be read more than once. This is to develop their fluency, comprehension skills and use of expression. If the children read 5 times in a week then they will receive a sticker. Once the whole class has read 20 times each, they will achieve the reward of a class party.

We will no longer be sending Maths home learning through the children's usual home learning books. Instead, the children will be set activities to complete at home through Maths Whizz.

Before Christmas, we tested all children on all of the Year I and Year 2 common exception words. Your child's spellings to practise at home will be based on these results. They may receive words to practise which they have already had during the Autumn term. This will mean that they spelt the word incorrectly and therefore need to practise again. Please encourage your child to practise their spellings whenever possible.

#### PE

PE will continue to be taught on a Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure your child wears their PE kit to school. If their hair is long then it should be tied back and earrings should be removed before coming to school. Please be mindful of the weather at this time of year and

ensure your child is wearing suitable clothing to keep warm whilst outside for play times.

#### Reminders

If your child is going to be collected by someone different to usual, please ensure the class teacher is aware ahead of time and that the back page of your child's home school link book is completed with the adults information. We are unable to dismiss your child to an adult if they have not been listed in the link book. It is important that we are aware of all going home arrangements so that we can keep your child safe.

Please can we also remind you that Year 2 do not complete show and tell of toys. We welcome any home learning completed, achievements or anything that relates to our theme that children would like to show the class but no toys or teddies.

Thank you.