

**Medication**

If your child needs to take any medication please visit the office and fill in a medication form.

Please ask your child to bring in a bottle of water every day to make sure they stay hydrated!

**Literacy/Topic**

This term our topic is called ‘Where in the world?’

This is a broad unit which encourages children to think about the world they live in. In our English lessons we will be reading a selection of stories and fairy tales from all over the world, learning about other cultures and customs as we go. We’ll be writing postcards and comparing/contrasting life in two separate countries. In topic lessons we’ll be looking at maps of the world, identifying continents and oceans.

**Maths**

In Maths this term we will be learning about multiplication and division, and measurement.

**Science**

Initially we’ll be concluding our topic ‘Animals including Humans’. Then we’ll move onto ‘Using Everyday Materials’, during which we’ll sort, classify and examine the uses of different materials around us.

 **R.E.**

Our topic is ‘Why is Christmas important to Christians?’ and we’ll be focusing on the birth of Jesus.

**Reading**

Reading books will be changed several times per week.

Every day the children will have opportunities to read both during morning registration and during our afternoon ‘DEAR time’ (drop everything and read time). Many of our children have become well accustomed to our ‘Accelerated Reading’ program where they complete quizzes that test their comprehension of the books they have read. Others will continue using our colour coded books and shall read in guided groups.

I will try my hardest to make sure I hear your children read at least once a week.

Please do read with your child at home as often as possible, it makes such a difference and really boosts their love of books! Also I would encourage you to ask your children questions about the book they have read in order to boost their understanding of it. It is better that a child takes slightly longer to read a text and fully grasps its contents, than that child speeding through a text without having understood it.

**Spellings**

Spellings will be given out on a Friday and a spelling test will be completed the following Friday.

**Homework**

Thank you to all of you who encouraged/supported your children with their homework tasks. It was a pleasure looking through all the work the children had completed at home. We now have several fantastic models of 1666 houses adorning our Great Fire of London display! A few of the children did some lovely bread baking too – parents involved in this have my full admiration!

I’ll be handing out this term’s homework shortly, books will be due on the last week of term (week beginning 17th December.)

**Hello Year 2 Parents!**

I hope you all had a wonderful half term with your families – can’t believe it’s November already! As the days grow shorter and the temperature drops, please make sure your child has a coat so they can wrap up warm outside.

If you have any queries or concerns please feel free to come and talk to me after school.

Best wishes,

Miss Chatters

**PE**

P.E. will be taught on Mondays and Tuesdays. Please ensure full PE kit is in school at all times.