



Year 2 Newsletter

Friday 10th September 2021

Welcome

Welcome to our first Year 2 newsletter! We are very impressed with the way the children have settled into life in the Year 2 building – especially the Year 1 children in Lewis class!

All children have taken extra care when walking through the car park when going to the playground and collecting their lunches. They have adjusted to completing extra work in their books and explaining their learning. We can already see that this year is going to be an excellent year!

English

This week in English we explored when to use capital letters and full stops. We also practised writing sentences using our high frequency words. Next week we will be exploring letter writing using the book 'The Day the Crayons Quit'.

How you can help at home:



You can listen to the story here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch>

Show the children examples of letters that come in the post and explain that it is a form of communication.

Maths

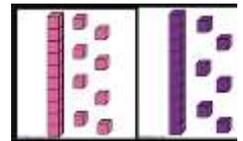
This week in Maths we identified and counted numbers up to 100. We learnt the skill that it is easier to count your tens first and then your ones. For example, if counting to 45 you would count like this '10,20,30,40,41,42,43,44,45'.

Next week we are going to explore finding one more and one less than a number and partition numbers

How you can help at home:



Identify the ages of the people in your family and encourage your child to count in tens and ones to the numbers. You could also show them a hundred square on your phone and encourage them to find one more and less than the number.



Spellings

Every week the children will take part in a spelling test. The spellings we will be sending home are the words the children should know how to automatically spell by the end of Year 2. The children will practise their spellings on a Monday (this is a good way for them to see the words they need to work on) and then their formal test will take place on Friday.

You will find the spellings for their test next week Friday below:

Year 2 Spellings:

after, could, kind, poor, again, door, last, pretty, any, even

Lewis Year 1 Spellings:

a, love, the, are, me, go, no, of, to, we

Arithmetic

Every Monday and Friday your child will complete a mental arithmetic test to develop their mental maths skills. When they complete the first test which will take place every Monday, the adult in class will teach the children what method they need to use to work out the answers. Your child will take this test home. Please encourage and support your child to practise the questions they have completed incorrectly. Your child will retake the same test on Friday which the class teacher will keep in school.

Reading in Year 2

Your child will be reading with an adult three times per week.

During the sessions we will be focusing on decoding skills (using their sounds to read words), reading with expression and answering questions about the story (comprehension).

Children will not be bringing books home for the first few weeks as we will be listening to them read and levelling them

It is important that you read with your child at least 10 minutes every night. This will improve their decoding and comprehension skills. Reading materials can include comic books, nonfiction and fiction books, poetry and joke books.

Happy reading!

Words of the week

chaotic

This means: to be in a state of complete confusion or disorder.

timeline

This means: putting events in order from the start date.

Can you use these words in a sentence?

Start and finish times

Please remember that we open the year 2 doors for children at **8:35am** in the morning. If you arrive and the doors are closed, then you will need to go to the school office.

The school day ends at **3:15 pm**. Please be punctual when dropping off and collecting your child.



If another adult is collecting your child, please inform the office as early as possible.

Attendance

We will continue to monitor attendance. The class with the best attendance each week will receive the attendance cup!



P.E

Below you will find the days we have P.E. We ask that your child comes to school in their P.E kit on the day they have P.E. You can purchase our school P.E kit from 'Bubblegum' in Thornton Heath.

Lewis Class: Monday
Dahl Class: Tuesday
Andersen Class: Wednesday
Carroll Class: Thursday

Have a question or a query?

If you wish to contact your child's class teacher or have a question, you can email us directly at:

Lewis Class: lewisclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

Dahl Class: dahlclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

Carroll Class: carrollclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

Andersen Class: andersenclass@winterbourne-inf.croydon.sch.uk

Have a great weekend.