

# YEAR 2





#### Autumn 2!

It's getting colder, wetter and darker! We hope you have had a great half term break! Giraffes have settled into the school so well and seem very confident in their learning and have become confident with their daily routines. Thank you to all who attended the parents evening meetings, it was great to meet you all. I hope you are very proud of your children! The final week was an amazing way for everyone to end the first half term, we all thoroughly enjoyed the Dinosaur activities and experiences!



#### Beachcombers

This half term we will continue with our topic but will investigate the history of coastal areas and how beachcombers came about. We will learn about sea explorers from the past, including Christopher Columbus and Sir Francis Drake. In addition to this we will also be starting preparations for Christmas!!!

### English

In English we will be using the story 'A House for a Hermit Crab' by Eric Carle as a focus and we will be writing different types of poems about sea creatures and winter.

We will use the stories such as 'Tiddler' by Julia Donaldson and 'The Little Mermaid' alongside the information books and other stories with familiar setting to write tongue-twisters, stories and diary entries.

#### Maths

In Maths, we will be focusing on multiplication, division and measurements. We will also consolidate our addition and subtraction knowledge and apply these skills in solving worded problems. Please do not hesitate to ask about the methods that are taught and how you can help at home.

#### Science

In Science, we will continue to learn about living things and their habitats. We are also going to focus on different sources of food and food chains.

# Weekly Routines

PE is on <u>MONDAYS</u>, <u>TUESDAYS</u> and <u>THURSDAYS</u>- children should come to school wearing their PE kit. There a number of children who do not have their earrings covered with tape, please <u>ensure</u> this is done before coming to school.

Spellings will be sent home on Fridays and the children will be tested on the following Friday.

Homework is set on a Thursday and is due in by the following Tuesday.

Spellings will be sent home on <u>Fridays</u> and the children will be tested on the following <u>Friday</u>.

Homework is set on a Thursday and is due in by the following Tuesday.

<u>FRIDAYS-</u> Giraffes will continue to be taught by Mrs Golightly, who the children have become fond of.







- Listen to them read each day. There will be a reading book and library book in their book-bag each
  week. When they do read to you, please make a note in their reading record (this can be your
  signature or a short comment).
- Ask them questions about what they have read.
- Encourage them to practise their spellings every day, using the 'LOOK, COVER, WRITE, CHECK' method.
- Support them in completing their homework.
- Go to your local library to find books about their current topic.
- Ensure your child wears their PE kit on the days they have PE lessons.
- Provide a named water bottle for them to use in class. These can be purchased from the school office.

## Key Dates:

- Wednesday 16th November School Trip (more information to follow)
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December Last day of the half term.

Thank you for your ongoing support Please do not hesitate to ask any questions to myself or any of the Year 2 team.

Mrs Obhi and The Year 2 Team