

Topaz Class

Autumn Term Newsletter

Welcome to Year 2!

As a new, albeit slightly different, academic year begins I hope you are looking forward to a enjoyable year full of interesting topics and learning opportunities. I am very much looking forward to working with you all and seeing the children progress as the year goes by.

OUR TOPICS

Street Detectives

This way or that way? Where should we go? We are going to be learning about our local community, looking at houses old and new and finding out how our streets have changed since our parents and grandparents were young. Ready to roll street detectives? Get your clipboards and cameras...it's time to start investigating!

A Taste Of Africa

Our topic after half term will be all about Africa, enabling the children to broaden their global geographical skills. We will also have opportunities to create some African art and taste some Africa food.

PE

PE lessons will be on a Wednesday afternoon and Friday morning. Earrings must be removed for P.E. and long hair tied back.

Please make sure **all** items of clothing, water bottles and packed lunch boxes are clearly labelled to avoid confusion.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any problems, questions or queries, I will be happy to discuss your child's progress at any point. Unfortunately this will currently need to be via e-mail which I will endeavour to respond to as quickly as possible

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Thank you in advance for all your support.

Miss Lane and Mrs Hickman (LSA)

Reading

Please continue to try to read at home as often as possible whilst ensuring it remains an enjoyable experience. 10 minutes practice an evening with your child, alongside a discussion and questions on the text to clarify their understanding, will help them gain reading stamina and build upon their comprehension skills.

Book Change Day: Mondays and Thursdays.

Homework (from Monday 21st)

A list of spellings will be sent home on a Monday for testing the following Monday. In Year 2 we have a set of 'Common Exception Words' that the children will need to learn and spell. In addition, we will be continuing with White Rose maths homework to strengthen and challenge skills learnt in class. This can be accessed via the computer however, if you struggle accessing a device that will load website please make it aware to me so that I can sort out alternative arrangements.