



Dear Parents/Carers and children,

Welcome back and to the last term of Year 2! We hope you all had a fantastic Easter break and are feeling refreshed and ready for an exciting summer term. There is lots to look forward to!

General Overview of the Term's Learning

Here's a brief overview of what to expect this term in Year 2:

- **English:** We will focus on learning our phonics using our Read, Write, Inc programme, whole class VIPERS, as well as exploring and writing a narrative about the Great Fire of London and a recount/diary entry.
- **Maths:** This term's maths curriculum will include fractions and telling the time, statistics, position and direction, as well as developing some fluency when using the four operations.
- **Science:** Students will explore a unit on plants, asking 'What does a plant need?'
- **Geography** – We will be learning all about the water city, Kampong Ayer, and comparing it to Helston and our local area.
- **Art/ DT:** This term we will explore how moving parts and pivots work in our DT topic called 'Making a Moving Monster'. In Art we will explore a topic called 'Stick Transformation'
- **Music:** Our lessons will focus on our topic 'Our Big Orchestra'
- **PE:** In PE, we will firstly be focusing on dance, learning the important steps to the Flora Day dance. We will also begin preparations for Sports Day.
- **Computing:** This term we will focus on word processing and music technology.
- **RE:** In RE, we will deepen our learning about Christians with a topic that focuses on Gospel and finally a topic that looks at the faiths and beliefs of people in Cornwall.
- **Lifeskills:** This term we will learn about hazard watch, fire safety and our world.

PE Day

Physical activity is a vital part of our students' development. PE day for Year 2 will be on **Thursdays (indoor) and Fridays (outdoor)**. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on these days, ready to participate in a variety of sports and fitness activities.

Home learning

This year we are focusing on reading as our required priority homework. Therefore, we request that all children read their school reading book every night and get their reading records signed by a parent/carer/older sibling.

We will be sending home weekly spellings for children to practice from Reception-Year 6, which will be tested weekly. We will also be sending home log ins for Times Tables Rock Stars and Maths Whizz for children from Y2-Y6 to continue their maths learning at home. Please note that the spellings and maths home learning will help your child consolidate their in-school learning, however, is not mandatory.

Healthy Snacks and Hydration

We strongly encourage children to bring healthy snacks for break time that will keep them energised and focused throughout the school day. In addition, it is important that children bring a water bottle to school each day. We kindly request that only water is provided in these bottles.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out, or get in contact with the school office.

Kind regards,

Mrs Eddy and Mrs Richards