

Newsletter Spring 2018 - Year 2

Happy New Year! We hope you had a lovely break. We have a busy term ahead full of lots of exciting investigations about space.

We will have a new trainee teacher (Mrs Winkcup) joining Mr Warriner's class this term. She is looking forward to joining the team.

Topic: Moon Zoom!

This term we are exploring space across the curriculum.

Science: An alien has crash landed and his spacecraft is broken! We will be looking at which different materials we can teach him about and help him make a brand new spacecraft from suitable materials on Earth.

History: We will be learning about historic space missions and iconic astronauts.

ICT: We will be expanding our knowledge of ICT by exploring the uses of different programmes and the uses of ICT outside school.

Homework

We will give children homework every **Thursday** and they need to return it by **Tuesday**. There is also a choice of Project Homework.

Reading at home

Enjoy reading with your child at least **4 times** per week. This can be their school reading book or book of choice at home. Please record each time they read at home in their Reading Record.

PE

PE is on a **Thursday**. Your child's PE kit needs to stay in school for the whole of the half term. They can take it home the last day of term.

Home time

Year 1 and Year 2 children can now be picked up from 3:05pm. The end of the day for KS2 remains at 3:15pm.

Reading

We continue with our phonics lessons looking at alternative ways of spelling different sounds in words. Children will partake in daily guided reading sessions with their teacher and we will begin weekly lessons based on reading comprehensions.

Writing

Year 2 will become journalists this term as we report on the mystery alien landing in Nunthorpe for our local newspaper. We will also be writing our own alien character descriptions. We will finish the term with poetry about space.

Maths

As mathematicians we will be focusing on our multiplication and division facts (2x, 5x, 10x and counting in 3s) as well as finding fractions of shapes and amounts.

Dates

Break up for half term: Friday 9th February
Back to school: Monday 19th February

PD Days:

Monday 16th April
Monday 4th June
Friday 20th July
Monday 23rd July

Your rubbish is our spacecraft!

We need to make a spacecraft for our lost alien during the final 2 weeks of term. Please can you bring in any (washed!) plastic bottles, tin foil, cardboard etc so we can use them for our creations! Thank you in advance!