

# Giffard Park Primary School



## Year 2 Newsletter

### Welcome back!

We hope you have all had a wonderful summer and have enjoyed a well-earned rest! We are looking forward to an exciting autumn term in Year 2.

### Dates for your diary

**Half Term** – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

**Back to School** – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
Communication

If you would like to email us with any questions or updates, please use our class email address:

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### Topic

This term we will be learning all about London. During the term the children will be creating 3D models of Tudor houses and famous London landmarks using clay. The children will be learning about the historical events in London such as The Plague and The Great Fire of London, as well as comparing London in the past to London today. In science, we will be identifying and comparing the suitability of a variety of everyday materials for particular uses. In their RE lessons, they will be learning about different signs and symbols.

#### PE

**Browne** – Tuesday

**Dahl** – Tuesday

In order for the children to get the most out of their learning time, we would like the children to come to school in their PE kits for both of their PE lessons. They can stay in their PE kit all day so they will not need to bring any clothes to get changed in to.

### Homework in Year 2

The children will be bringing home a new homework book. They will have either a maths homework task or an English homework task to complete each week. They will also receive weekly spellings to learn. These will come home on a Wednesday and will be due in on a Monday.

### Reading

At school, children are given the opportunity to develop their reading skills through one-to-one reading, shared reading and guided reading groups, as well as their daily phonics sessions. Daily reading at home will significantly complement the work done at school. Also, don't forget about the 'reading raffle'. Listen to your child read every night for a week and sign it in the reading record for a chance to win an exciting book!