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Dear Families of Year 2,

Welcome back! We hope you had a restful break over the Easter period. We're excited to start the Summer term, which promises to be full of fun, learning, and new experiences for the children. Below is some information about the Summer term in Year 2 that I hope continues to be helpful.

P.E. KITS

For the Summer term, P.E. days will change and will be taught on **Tuesday (am)** and **Thursday (pm)**.

Please ensure your child comes into school wearing their full PE kits on these days (NB. black or navy base layers may be worn under PE kit in cold weather). Please note that earrings and jewellery **cannot** be worn for P.E. Please remove earrings on P.E. days.

HOMEWORK

Homework will be set on a **Thursday** via the Google Classroom, to be handed in on the following **Tuesday**. Please contact me if you require your child's login details via the Year 2 email address (see below).

In addition to this, we encourage children to read at home **daily**, so please continue to hear your child read at home and read to them to model good reading. A note of this should be kept in their reading record book.

Children will change their reading books every **Monday** but please ensure that your child brings their reading book to school each day so we are also able to read with them at school throughout the week.





SPELLINGS

We will be doing daily spelling sessions aiming to build on and improve spelling of both high frequency words and spelling rules and patterns. We will use phonics and spelling rules to do this. Each week the homework will include some spelling based on the spelling patterns we have been practicing. learn from any mistakes without any pressure or worry.

SUMMER TERM CURRICULUM OVERVIEW IN YEAR 2

Maths: Multiplication and division, time, fractions, geometry, place value.

English: Entertaining narrative (*The lost homework*), instructions (*How to wash a woolly mammoth*), informative (*Here I am*), Entertaining narrative (*Super Joe does not do cuddles*), poetry (*Belonging street*).

Science: Plants- plant growth. Making connections - plant based materials.

RE: What is the good news that Jesus brings? Why is the Torah such a joy for the Jewish community?

Geography: What is it like to live by the coast?

History: A comparison of the lives of Edith Cavell and Mary Seacole.

Computing: Presenting ideas, coding.

Art: Painting and mixed media: Life in colour.

D&T: Mechanisms, wheels and axles

PSHE: Citizenship, Economic wellbeing and Transition

Music: Friendship Song - Musical notation and performance. Reflect, rewind and replay - consolidation and





performance.

PE: Athletics, Net and Wall. Striking, Fielding and Yoga

SATs

Although KS1 SATs are no longer compulsory for schools, we will still be carrying out the maths and reading tests this term, as they provide useful information to support our ongoing assessment of the children's learning. Rest assured that the tests will be carried out in a calm and gentle way, with no pressure placed on the children.

GROWTH MINDSET AND MINDFULNESS

Having a 'Growth Mindset' is a massive asset to learners. We want our children to take risks, accept challenges, think positively and learn from mistakes. Families can support children to develop their Growth Mindsets by sharing positive messages about learning. We will be reinforcing messages such as, "*Mistakes help me learn!*" and "*Small progress is still progress - keep going!*". We will also be helping the children to develop 'Mindfulness' skills, which will involve learning relaxing breathing and visualisation techniques.

NOTICES

Collection: As always, if your child is going home with someone other than yourselves please let me know via the Year 2 email (see below) or via the office.

Forest school: Year 2 are not scheduled to go to Forest School on a weekly basis but we certainly hope to go to Forest School at least once each half-term. When we do I will be sure to give plenty of advance notice to bring in welly boots and any other clothing (if needed).

Pebble Jar treats: Year 2 have earned their next pebble jar treat and have chosen a trip to forest school!

Class Trips: We have booked a class trip to **Whipsnade Zoo in June 2026**. More details to follow soon.





Donation wish list: I have recently bought some new colour pens for our class but our colouring pencils are beginning to run low and are a little worn. As the children really enjoy colouring and drawing, we would be very grateful for any donations of colouring pencils if you are able to help.

If you have any questions about your child or Year 2, or if you want to arrange a conversation with me, please contact me via the Year 2 email - year2@stmarys916.herts.sch.uk. I will be checking this email every day.

I'm looking forward to a great term ahead and am excited to see all the progress the children will make.

Best wishes,

Mr Worth

