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Dear Parents,

We are delighted to welcome all of the children back to school and into the Year 2 family. We have been so impressed with the way the children have settled into Year 2 and adjusted to the new rules and routines. They have all come back to school ready to learn and have impressed us with their excellent manners and behaviour. For the first half term, we will be assessing the children in reading, phonics, maths and writing and focusing on filling any gaps in the children's learning from the previous year.

During this half term, Year 2's topic will be 'Mini-Mappers'. This is a geography-focussed topic. Attached to this letter is your child's Knowledge Organiser which contains key facts, vocabulary and information about your child's learning in class.

Our learning:

- In Reading, the children will be exploring a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts across the curriculum. They will be practising the skill of retrieving information.
- Our writing will be based on the theme Mini-Mappers. The children will be writing a recount from their journey home. They will also be writing a character description based on the Six Dinner Sid by Inga Moore and a Non-chronological report about Gorton.
- In Maths, the children are learning place value and will be moving on to addition and subtraction.
- In R.E. we will be learning about Islam and Christianity. We will be exploring the questions what makes someone a Christian and what do they believe? What makes someone a Muslim and what do they believe?
- In P.E, the children will be exploring how to change, rhythm, speed, level and direction in dance and use a dance to show a mood or feeling.
- In PSHE, the children will be focusing on 'Healthy minds' and how to look after our wellbeing.
- In Geography, the children will be learning to understand how land is used in the local area. They will undertake a land-use study of the local area and categorise into human and physical features.
- In Computing, we will be looking at E-safety and how to stay safe online.
- In Science, children will observe and describe how seeds and bulbs grow into mature plants. They will learn to recognise that water, light and a suitable temperature are needed for survival and growth.



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Reading at home

Please support your child at home in ensuring that they are reading each day to an adult and they also have opportunities to listen to an adult read to them. Children will be bringing home a phonics book to practice the sound they are working on in lessons and a reading book which is appropriate for their current reading level. They will also be bringing home their reading records as usual. Please record the reading your child does at home in their reading record, children will be awarded dojos to celebrate reading at home. The children will be completing quizzes on their books in school and books will then be quarantined for 72 hours and wiped down before being put back to be used by another child.

Homework

All homework this year will be set online on a sway. The sway will be posted on the school website on a Friday. Children will be provided with a homework book to complete their homework in. These books should stay at home and do not need to be returned to school. To help us celebrate your child's homework please send pictures on class dojo to your child's teacher so they can be awarded dojo points. Please let your child's class teacher know if you are unable to access online learning at home.

PE

Badger – Monday

Hedgehog- Tuesday

Squirrel- Thursday

Children will not currently be getting changed for PE so do not need to bring a PE kit into school. As PE will be outside, children can bring trainers on their PE day.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

The Year 2 team