

Dear Parents,

This half term, Year 2 will have a Geography focus. Our topic will be 'Mini Mappers'. Attached to this letter contains your child's Knowledge Organisers which contain key facts, vocabulary and information about your child's learning in class.

Our learning:

- In Writing, we will be writing a story based on the text, 'On the Way Home' by Jill Murphy. The children will be learning all about our local area and writing a travel guide.
- In Maths, we will be learning about place value and addition and subtraction.
- In Science, we will be learning about animals including humans and how they change and grow over time. The children will learn about the importance of exercise and healthy eating.
- In Geography, we will be finding out about our local area, discussing human and physical features and drawing our own maps using symbols.
- In R.E. the children will be learning about Christianity and Islam. Learning about how the religions began and their main beliefs.
- In P.E., the children will be taking part in a variety of outdoor games.
- In Art, we will be using the skill of printing to design a class doorway that is made up
 of images that of what life is like in Gorton. To further our science learning about
 animals the children will be creating a clay sculpture that shows the texture of a
 chosen animal's skin.

Can we please ask that you support your child at home in ensuring they know their spellings that they are reading each day independently and to you and they have opportunities to be read to by an adult.

You can also use the information on their Knowledge Organisers to test their recall of facts and their understanding of the new vocabulary listed.

If you require any additional information, please contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to assist you.

On the reverse side of this letter, you will find information about key dates coming up this term as well as details of your child's home learning projects.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

The Year 2 Team



Home Learning Projects:

- Make a scrapbook of pictures of your local area. What can you see from your window? Do you live on a busy road? What's your favourite place to visit? Share your scrapbook with the rest of the class.
- Draw a map showing your route to school. What do you pass along the way? Can you use symbols to show what you see?
- Have you got a pet at home? Prepare a presentation about your pet for the rest of the class. Include photos and facts.
- Can you design a healthy lunchbox to share with your classmates?
- Make a collage of your favourite animal to show the different textures it is made up
 of. You could use feathers or create scales using paint.
- Draw a picture of your house. What kind of house do you live in? How many doors and windows are there?

Dates for your Diaries:

September

Wednesday 4th September Thursday 12th September Tuesday 24th September Thursday 26th September Friday 27th September First day of Autumn 1 Term Meet the Teacher 3:30 – 5:30pm Individual Photographs Sibling Photographs Macmillan Coffee Morning

October

Thursday 10th October Wednesday 16th October Thursday 24th October World Mental Health Day Harvest Festival Final day of Autumn 1 Term