



Year 2 News Friday 9th February 2024

Notice board

We look forward to welcome you all into the classroom for our end of topic celebration next Friday at 2:30pm!

DATES/REMINDERS

We look forward to seeing the Year 2 children come in dressed as scientists for our first day back on Monday 26th February for our memorable experience.

We'll send home PE kits next week to be washed. Please remember to bring them back to school **on the Monday after half term**, ready for our PE lessons on the first day back.

Show and Tell

Next half term we will do a lot of experiments as part of our new topic 'Muck, Mess and Mixtures'. We encourage you to do some simple experiments at home too and we would love to see photos if you do! You can find some great ideas here:

<https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/life/parenting/g32176446/science-experiments-for-kids/>

English

In English next week we will be reading 'Through My Window' by Tony Bradman and Eileen Browne. We will use this as inspiration to write our own stories. We will learn about the features of narrative writing and focus on using our senses to describe characters and settings.

Maths

In Maths we will be learning to double and half two digit numbers which end in 0 e.g. 30 and even numbers e.g. 26. We will explore this using dinennies and bar models. We will also be doing this with amounts of money when problem solving.

Topic

In topic we will learn about the countries that make up the UK as part of Geography and we will rehearse a piece of music to play for the music governor who is coming in to school.

Home Learning Tasks

Spellings: We are focusing on words that have 'a' after 'w' and 'qu' such as 'want' 'watch' 'wander' and 'squash'.

Maths challenges: this video shows a fun game that can be adapted to different abilities to practise one more/one less: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NC6UFC58RrE> If the weather is nice during half term you can chalk it on the pavement and play outside? Mrs Brennan would love to receive a photo if you have a go. Bank the difference is great for finding the difference between 2 numbers: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YG_wNDa_qxg

Talk Task: As you make dinner or do some baking this half term, invite your child to notice what you are doing and say that word (verb) out loud. Highlight bossy words like 'put', 'pour', 'mix' and 'remove'. Can you make up your own words for what you are doing? Have a go at whizzing up your own made-up words like : 'drizzbabbling' instead of just drizzling. Enjoy!

Topic: Can you and your child research a famous scientist and create a poster about them? We would love to share your work in class after half term!