



January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the Spring term in Year Two!

Timetable and Routines

Your child's teaching team this term comprises of:

- Your class teacher – Miss Strong
- Teaching Assistant H Hunt (Monday – Wednesday) K Towey (Thursday and Friday)
- Regular volunteer – Linda (Tuesday and Thursday mornings)
- Thursday morning Physical Education teacher - Tom
- Mrs Holmes and K Towey swimming

And here is what our week will look like:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
am	Miss Strong H Hunt			Tom PE lesson Miss Strong K Towey	Miss Strong K Towey
pm	Linda (Monday and Tuesday afternoons)				Mrs Holmes K Towey Swimming

Our Curriculum- C360

We start the term in Year Two with the topic '**Magnificent Monarchs**'. This project teaches children about the English and British monarchy from AD 871 to the present day. Using timelines, information about royal palaces, portraits and other historical sources, they build up an understanding of the monarchs and then research six of the most significant sovereigns.

Please see Topic Maps attached for more information.

Reading

We will continue sending home a range of books each week.

Each week you will receive a new:

- Numbered Levelled book which is for your child to read to you over a number of days to gain reading fluency and confidence. This shouldn't be too challenging but contain some new words to learn.
- And for those children working on their phonics, a phonics reading book focusing on particular 'sounds' your child needs to practice reading to master. Again, these are to be read a number of times to develop confidence.

Little and often really is the key to becoming a great reader. With this in mind, please ensure that your child reads to you at least 5 times per week and that you record the title of the book and sign in their 'Love Reading' Exercise Book. School staff will also record any reading your child does in school and make comments on their progress. All children with 5 reads at home recorded will be entered into our reading raffle and could win a prize!

Home Learning

A range of home learning tasks will be set this term depending on your child's age and progress. These will include: individualised phonics and spelling practice, reading comprehension tasks, Maths activities and maths fluency practice such as number bonds and times table practice. Please ensure that these are completed.

General Information

Don't forget to book your child's school dinners, or record them as a packed lunch each day (the cut off is 12pm the night before) on 'school money.' Remember, you can also book morning and after school clubs and pay for swimming, trips and equipment on the 'School Money App.

School Uniform

Full school uniform must be worn at all times, including black shoes and a school jumper or cardigan. Long hair must be tied back, no hair products please. **PE will be on Thursday (whole class) and Friday for swimming**, so please ensure that your child wears their full kit into school on Wednesday. **Swimming is for Year 2 on Friday afternoons.**

Please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat in school every day. Also, as it starts to get warmer, ensure your child brings a SCHOOL drinks bottle to school- Only water, no squash/juice.

If you require any further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch via Class Dojo.

Miss Strong and the Year Two team