

# Year 2 Newsletter

## Curriculum information



### Our topic in Term 1 is 'It's good to be different'.



We are delighted to welcome all of Year 2 back into school and are looking forward to a very exciting term ahead! Our **Topic** this term is all about inspirational people and how we celebrate differences. We will be learning about what being inspirational means to us and how we are all special, along with studying the lives of **Florence Nightingale** and **Mary Seacole** - who both changed nursing for the better. We will also be looking at the geography of England (where Florence Nightingale lived) and Jamaica (where Mary Seacole was born).

In **English**, we will be writing diary entries to record a day in the life of Florence Nightingale and will also be learning how to use statement sentences in writing fact-files.

In **Phonics**, we will be re-capping the phase 5 sounds and will also begin to look at spelling rules.

In **Maths**, this term, we will be working on number and place value, addition and subtraction and will be using our skills to solve problems.

Our **Art** this term, will be around inspirational British artists and we will be learning about Joseph Turner. We will be looking at the skill of capturing the light and will use this in creating our own paintings.

In **RE** we will be looking at the story of the Good Samaritan and will be discussing caring for people.

For **Science**, we will be looking at the way in which the human body changes as it grows. This includes learning about what humans need to grow such as exercise and healthy foods.

**P.E** will all be outdoors and will include athletics, football and yoga.

We would like to say a huge **'Well done!'** for your children's hard work in accessing Seesaw and for all the fantastic pieces of work you have brought into school.

Thank you for your ongoing support and if you have any queries or questions please don't hesitate to contact a member of the Year 2 team.

## Reading books

Each week, your child is listened to reading their reading books as well as Guided

Reading and reading in different situations.

Reading is a tricky skill to master and your child will benefit from **reading with you at home as much as possible to build confidence and fluency.**

Thank you!

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## P.E

Both Sapphire and Quartz class will have P.E on

**Mondays.**

**Please could your child wear their PE kit to school on these days.**

**Please also remove earrings on a Monday** - this is an important health and safety issue.



## How can you help at home?

Times tables 2, 5 and 10

Reading- books, comics, recipes or labels!

Recognising shapes in real life



## Key Dates:

**Friday 23rd October: End of Term 1**

## Water bottles

Please could you ensure that your child brings a **named** drink bottle to school each day, to have in the classroom. **This should contain water only, no juice or squash please.**



## Clothing

Please make sure all items of your child's clothing has their name on it. It makes it much easier to reunite children with lost clothes. This includes their PE kit.

Thank you.