



## TATWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Year 2 Autumn Term 2020

Welcome to Year 2!

Year 2 have already begun to settle quickly into their new classroom with their teachers Mrs Billington and Mrs Hewitson and soon learnt all of our new routines in the classroom and around school.

On Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays Mrs Hewitson will be the class teacher.

On Thursdays and Fridays Mrs Billington will be the class teacher.

During phonics lessons, your child may also be taught by Mrs Bayley, Miss Farmer, Mrs Cox, Miss Board, Mrs Waddon or Mrs Whiffin.

This half-term, on a Thursday morning the class have PE with Mr Bulbeck. During the second half-term, this lesson will change to Forest School. We will remind you nearer the time about welly boots!

The children are working hard towards earning the learning behaviour stickers:

### Learning Behaviours in Year 2

Risk taker		I am trying something I haven't tried before.
Keeping going		I will try to work things out and look for ways to help myself.
Aiming high		I am trying my best!
Motivated and engaged		I am sitting up, looking and listening.
Taking responsibility		I am always ready for my learning.
Respect		I accept everyone, even if they say something silly or wrong.
Team player		I include people well and work hard to get along with everyone.

## Subjects

### Maths

This term, we will be working on securing the children's understanding of 2-digit numbers by partitioning into tens and ones, and comparing and ordering numbers. We will work together to understand and solve addition and subtraction problems, using objects, pictures and informal written methods. We will learn about measures for length and height and record and compare simple measurements.

This term, we will also name and describe 2D and 3D shapes.

### English

We begin the year by focusing on learning about sentences. We will then start to introduce simple conjunctions (for example and, but, or) and we will write questions. When we read texts and write sentences, we will explore our understanding of the grammatical features, starting with subjects, verbs and nouns. When children are forming letters correctly and can use the pre-cursive script, they will start to practise using a cursive handwriting script (joined).

### Science

This half term, we will be learning about animals including humans. We will be researching how different animals survive. We will look at what humans need to keep healthy including testing different exercises, grouping foods and investigating diets.

During the second half-term, we will begin our topic on Materials. We will identify a range of everyday materials, and describe their properties.

### Art

In art this term we will be looking at drawing materials and techniques, colour mixing, and we will be finding out about the artist Henry Moore.

### PSHE

In PSHE we are learning how to keep ourselves safe and healthy including parts and jobs of the body, vaccinations, hygiene and diet. We will also be considering different feelings and how to manage them.

### R.E

This term we will be considering what Christians believe about love and how that is seen in the world. We will look at the life of Jesus, Bible stories and local expressions of faith and compassion.

## Homework in Year 2

### Spellings

Lists will be set up on Spelling Frame and have started this week! Please use the red book that came home to write out the spellings and complete the activities. Have fun playing the games on Spelling Frame.

### Reading

Children have the time to read, quiz (if they are reading the AR books) and change their books each day. Reading records will be checked on a Monday. Thank you to everyone who is already reading at least five times a week, this is fantastic!

Further information about **maths homework** will be sent out at the start of October.

The children will be offered a piece of school fruit each morning.

If your child would like a second healthy snack, please send in cut-up fruit/vegetables or a small sandwich in a labelled, reusable box.

A reminder that your child needs **water only** in their drinks bottle.

Please **do not** put squash or juice in your child's drinks bottle. The drink is kept on their desk all day and juice spills are very sticky!

Thank you for your support in helping your child to become independent with all aspects of school life.

If you have any questions, please do come and ask.

*Mrs Billington and Mrs Hewitson*