

# Year Two Autumn Term Newsletter



## Welcome Back

Welcome back to school Year 2! It is lovely to see you all back in school with big smiles and an eagerness to learn once again. Year 2 staff for this term; Mrs Taylor (2T) and Mr Chapman (2C) and teaching assistants Ms Masters and Mrs Billingham.



## Reading at home

Children should have already brought their reading planners home. Please ensure that each time you read with your child, you are adding a comment for the class teacher to see. Daily reading is essential to support your child's development. This year your child will have two books: their RM phonics book and a sharing book which can be read to them.

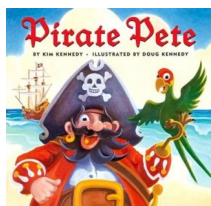


## PE Day

Our P.E days will be Mondays and Wednesdays this term. Please remember to send your children in their PE kits on a PE day. Children should be wearing a white t-shirt, blue or black shorts, trousers or leggings and white or black trainers. They will then remain in their PE kits for the whole day.



## Pirate Pete Class Story



Our focus text this term is "Pirate Pete" by Kim Kennedy. The children will be sharing this text during their reading and English lessons.

## Ruth Miskin Phonics

The children will restart their Ruth Miskin phonics sessions. They will be looking at previously taught material to recap their learning and given new books accordingly.

## Passwords



Your child will be given usernames and passwords for Spelling Shed and Purple Mash. These will be stuck in their planners. Please encourage/support your child in accessing these at home to support their learning further.

## Daily celebrations

Each day, a child will be chosen by the class teacher to visit the SLT office to celebrate their work. This could be for a range of reasons across a number of subjects. Please find a record of this in their school planner.

## Autumn Term Curriculum:

This term, we are very excited to be starting our new focus on voyagers, where our linked text *Pirate Pete* will enhance our learning further. Please take a look at our learning journey:

- In Maths, we will be learning about number properties, addition and subtraction .
- In English, we will be exploring innovated narratives, wanted posters and instructional writing.
- In History, we will be exploring the life of Christopher Columbus and his travels to the Americas.
- In Geography, we will be learning about seasonal changes.
- In Design and Technology, we will be helping a toy company retell the story of Pirate Pete by designing our very own character puppets.
- In Art, we will be delving into the life of L.S Lowry and re-creating portraits in true Lowry style.
- In Science, we will be exploring everyday materials and their properties.
- In PSHE, we are learning about making friends, feeling lonely, managing secrets and recognising things in common with others.
- In R.E, we are exploring religious symbols, humanism and Christianity.
- In computing, we will be focusing on coding and online safety.