January 2019

Dear Parents

A belated Happy New Year to you all!

We are well under way of a busy and very important term for Year 2 children as we prepare them for their SAT’s which will take place after the Easter holiday during the **first half** of the Summer term. Please try to avoid booking holidays in this period, if possible – thank you.

During this term we will be studying: -

Authors, Francesca Simon - Horrid Henry, Poetry, Recount Writing

Arithmetic, Problem Solving and Reasoning in Maths

Living things and animal habitats in Science

The Great Fire of London and Isambard Kingdom Brunel in History

The Great Fire of London using textiles, in Art

The children will continue to bring home a reading book and are expected to read a little each night, with your encouragement. We are concentrating on developing children’s understanding of the text this term and would value your support in questioning them about books they have read.

They will also continue with phonics homework which is ongoing. This homework is based on the sounds that the children have been learning each week in school. Phonics and Maths homework will continue to be sent home on a Tuesday to be returned by the following Monday.

Thank you all for supporting your children in all respects – this does make a difference!

PE and outdoor games will continue to take place on a Monday and Thursday for 2HJ and a Monday and Tuesday for 2SL. **Please could you ensure that your child has warm clothing to wear for outdoor games for when the temperature drops** and that their **trainers still fit**. We have had a few children in each class that haven’t had any warm clothing and sometimes haven’t had any kit in school at all. **Girls** also need to remember to have spare socks in their PE bags, if they usually wear tights as part of their daily school uniform.

We are planning a local trip this term (further details will follow) and we use this trip to inspire some great recount writing in Literacy.

We still have spaces for Reading Army helpers (a commitment of hearing children read on a morning of your choice from 8.35-8.55am). If you feel you could help, please let us know. Thank you to our Reading Army parents who helped last term – you made a positive impact in inspiring children to read and encouraging progress.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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Class 2HJ Class 2SL