**Year 2: Autumn 1 2023**

**Year 2 Team**

**Maple:**

Class teacher: Mrs Aktar

Support staff: Paula and Marufa

**Willow:**

Class teacher: Ms Byrne

Support staff: Adeola

**Senior Leader: Ms Kerr**

Dear Year 2,

Welcome back after the summer holiday. We hope you all had an enjoyable break and that you are ready for the busy term ahead. We are really looking forward to working collaboratively with all parents and carers.

This sheet provides you with an overview of what we will be learning and important dates for Year 2.

As always if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child’s class teacher in the first instance. If you still have any questions or concerns please speak to the senior leader **Ms Kerr.**

Best wishes,

Year 2 team



**Helping at home**

Homework is sent out on **Friday** and is due in the following **Wednesday**.

Spending at least 10 minutes a day reading with your child. They will take home a levelled book and a book for pleasure.

**Important dates**

**11.09.23 -** Meet the Teacher

**15.09.23** - Class Naming Ceremony

**18.09.23 -** Boosters/clubs begin

**Our Curriculum**

Our curriculum is based on a selected text. The text for this half term is Anansi the Spider and other stories. All children in Year 2 will continue to access the reading/ and or

* **Reading/ Literacy:** Anansi the Spider and other stories – Africa (Non-fiction)
* **Maths** –Place Value, Addition and Subtraction
* **Science** – Animals including humans.
* **Computing** – Minibeasts data
* **RE** – Judaism
* **Topic Work:** Life in the city
* **Art/DT:** Expressing freedom.
* **PSHE/SEAL** – Keeping, Staying Safe & Keeping and Staying Healthy
* **Handwriting** – Practising correct letter and number formation.
* **Spellings** – Practising words using phonics sounds as well as high frequency words.

**Cultural Capital**

Cultural capital is the accumulation of knowledge, behaviours and skills that a child can draw upon and which demonstrates their cultural awareness, knowledge and understanding. It is one of the key ingredients a pupil will draw upon to be successful in society and the world of work. In the autumn term, we have exciting opportunities for children, such as educational trips, PSHE lessons and many more wonderful events/trips awaiting.

**Reminders**

School starts at 8.50am and finishes at 3.20pm. Good attendance is 96% and above. Please ensure that your child is in school regularly to meet this target. You can check on Weduc for your child’s most up to date attendance.

Please ensure that packed lunches contain no nuts / traces of nuts. We are a nut free school.

**PE Days**

Wednesday’s & Thursday’s

Please ensure that your child comes dressed in their PE kit on these days.

Do you have any free time during the school week?

Are you able to volunteer in our team?

We are looking for volunteers to help in class and to read with children. Please contact the school office if you are interested.