

**Dear Parents/Carers,**

We are pleased to see the children are revitalised after their Christmas break and are back enthusiastic to learn! If you have any questions, as always, please come and speak to us.

## Autumn 1 in Year 2

### Our topic is: Traditional Tales

English	Maths	Science	Computing	RHE
<p><b>Traditional Tales</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Writing for a range of purposes such as; instructions, character description, narratives (retell) and talk 4 writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number and place value within 100</li> <li>• Counting in steps of 2,5,10 and 3</li> <li>• Addition and subtraction</li> </ul>	<p><b>Materials and their properties:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exploring materials that float and sink</li> <li>• Exploring suitability of materials for different purposes</li> <li>• Building a scientific vocabulary to describe materials</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internet safety</li> <li>• Learning about our digital footprint and how to stay safe online</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learning about our right and responsibilities (linking to class charter)</li> <li>• Following along with our RE theme of 'identity' we will be thinking about what makes us unique!</li> <li>• Celebrating difference</li> </ul>
PE	RE	Music	Geography	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Balance, agility and coordination</li> <li>• Basic games and leadership</li> </ul>	<p><b>Identity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Looking at how identity is shown within Judaism</li> <li>• Looking at how we explore our own identity</li> </ul>	<p><b>Musical stories</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Retelling a range of traditional tales using a variety of instruments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7 continents and 5 oceans</li> <li>• Focussing on traditional tales originating from different European countries</li> </ul>	

### Websites

There are lots of fun games to help with our learning on the internet, that can be accessed on a tablet or home computer.

#### **Useful websites:**

BugClub

TT Rock Stars

[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize)

[www.topmarks.co.uk](http://www.topmarks.co.uk)

Student logins can be found in their homework folders.

## How can I help my child at home?

### Home Help!

#### Reading and Book Talk:

Reading is an important part of learning and developing children's vocabulary and language skills, therefore we encourage you to read with your child at home. It provides a great opportunity for you and your child to talk, and share ideas and thoughts about what they have read.

We want children to be happy and enthusiastic readers, and hope that children are able to read a variety of genres to broaden their reading experiences. Please don't forget, whenever you read at home your child should fill in a section of their Reading Booklet. As well as home-school reading books, anything that children read can count towards entries on the card. We would love to see the amount of booklets we receive increase this term.

#### Home Reading Books

### Homework, home-reading and PE.

A homework grid will be sent out at the beginning of half term. Each week your child can choose an activity from this grid and complete it.

Homework books are to be handed in every **Monday**.

Home-reading books need to be in your child's bag ready to be changed on **Monday**.

Year 2 have PE on a **Thursday**. Your child needs to bring their PE kit into school, which they can then change into in before their PE lesson.