

Year 2 Update – 1.3.24

The children in Year 2 have had a busy week back after half term. Please remember to return reading books to school by Wednesday each week but please ensure reading records are in school every day as class teachers need these to read with children individually. Spelling homework will continue to be given on Thursdays to be returned the following week, and other homework will be given on Fridays to be returned the following week.

READING BOOKS

Thank you to those parents that are now signing reading books regularly and reading at least 4 times a week with their children. Please sign and date the reading record **every time** you read with your child, this way we can track how often the children are reading at home, the comment does not have to be long. Thank you for your support with this.

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March

This year on World Book Day we will be supporting a charity called Children with Cancer UK. This charity has been chosen by staff in our Year 3 classes. They would like the whole school to take part by making a donation via The Gateway. On Thursday 7th March there will be a 'Cosy and Comfortable Day' where the children are invited to come to school wearing their pyjamas, a onesie or an oodie. They will take part in many book related activities throughout the day whilst wearing their pyjamas. The reason for the link to pyjamas is many children undergoing treatment will stay overnight in hospitals and their familiar pyjamas can be a great source of comfort. During recovery, families can go through multiple pairs of sleepwear in a short space of time as their child will spend most of their time in bed or on a sofa. The donations will be sent to Children with Cancer UK after World Book Day.

RE

This week in RE we have learnt about the four different parts of Mass: gathering, listening, giving thanks, and going out. The children have also reflected on the Eucharistic prayer and thought about the meaning of the words in this. They have drawn their own pictures of what they think Heaven and Earth look like in God's glory.

Next week, we will be continuing our work on the Eucharistic prayer.

Vocabulary: Mass, gather. Gospel. Eucharistic, thanksgiving.

English

This week we have continued our work on Samson's Titanic Journey by beginning our own newspaper report based on the Titanic. The children have looked at an example of a newspaper report and identified the features. They have then written their own headlines, opening sentences and introduction to their newspaper reports.

Next week, we will be finishing our newspaper reports.

Vocabulary: features, headline, caption, opening sentence, Titanic, iceberg.

Maths

This week in maths the children have been looking at arithmetic and reasoning questions and using all of their maths knowledge to help support answering different types of questions. We have been recapping number bonds to 10 and 20, doubles, adding 2-digit numbers, taking away, word problems, multiplying and adding 3 1-digit numbers.

Next week: we will be moving onto fractions. The children will be recapping wholes and part and equal and unequal groups and they will be introduced to the $\frac{1}{2}$ fraction sign.

Vocabulary: fraction, equal, unequal, numerator, denominator, half, whole, part

DT

We are going to be starting our new DT Topic this week. To begin with we will be thinking about the Eat Well Plate and what is good for our bodies.

Vocabulary: Eat well, healthy, protein, carbohydrate, sugar, dairy, fruit and vegetables.

Extra information:

- PE days this term are **Wednesday and Friday for Lisbon** and **Monday and Wednesday for Padua**. As the weather is cold, please ensure children have grey tracksuit bottoms they can wear for outdoor PE lessons as well as trainers.
- **Wednesday 6th March** - Padua parents invited to view Art Exhibition of self-portraits after school in the main hall.
- **Thursday 7th March** - Lisbon parents invited to view Art Exhibition of self-portraits after school in the main hall.
- **Thursday 7th March** – ‘cosy and comfortable day’ – see information above.
- **Tuesday 12th March and Wednesday 13th March** – Parents Evening – please sign up for one of these.
- **Monday 18th March** is our trip to Knebworth House, children will need to be in school by **8.40am** and will be returning at normal time. Children need a nut free packed lunch for this day. We are outside so please ensure children have the appropriate footwear and are wearing a waterproof coat.
- Here are links to some online learning tools relevant for Year 2 children:
[1-minute maths app | White Rose Maths \(whiteroseeducation.com\)](#)
[Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds \(topmarks.co.uk\)](#)
[ictgames | | html5 Home Page](#)

Thank you for all your support,

Bella, Eleay and Aimie



GIVE

Visit the chapel at least once this week and offer a special prayer for someone during this Lenten period.

Weekly Misson



Temple of Your Heart

Mission

Create a space at home where you
can spend time with God.

You could find a table and put a
crucifix, candle and Bible upon it.
Most importantly make sure you have
something comfortable to
sit on whilst you pray.