

## **Dear Parents and Carers,**

I hope you all have had a lovely half term break, and enjoyed lots of yummy pancakes. I can't believe we are half way through the school year already - it's going so quickly! This half term, we will begin a new topic called 'Heroic Women', which is linked to our History unit.

## Reminders:

- Reading at home Please remember, where possible, to read with your child at home
  and write this down in their reading journal. I have been counting the number of reads the
  children have, and will be recording this weekly. I have increased the number of reads
  expected each week to <u>at least 4</u>, but where possible it would be fantastic if students
  could read every day. (Please remember we only count 1 read per day for the School's
  reading challenge).
- Lost property I am gathering a collection of jumpers and cardigans in my classroom. If your child is missing anything, please feel free to come and have a look in the box at the end of the day, at home time.
- Times Tables Rockstars During the Spring term, we will be moving on to Multiplication and Division. Please encourage your child to spend time on TTRockstars, so that they become more confident with their timetables, particularly their 2s, 5s and 10s.
- School start time Every morning I welcome the children into class at 8:55, so that we
  can begin promptly at 9:00. I will be closing the door at 9:00, therefore if you arrive after
  this time, please take your child to the main reception to get their attendance
  mark.

## The Spring Term 2 Curriculum in Class 2:

We have lots of fun, different activities for the children to complete across the whole curriculum. Here is a little bit of information about what we will be covering in each subject.

 English: We will be reading a range of books with female main characters including 'The Smallest Girl in the Class' by Justin Roberts, 'Counting on Katherine' by Helaine Becker, and 'Katie Morag' by Mairi Hedderwick.



- <u>Maths:</u> Following the WhiteRose Maths scheme, we have begun to look at money, and then will be continuing with Multiplication and Division.
- <u>Science</u>: In Science we will be continuing to learn about plants, carrying out experiments to see what conditions plants grow best in.



- Art: The children will be making colour creations inspired by Kandinsky and Mondrian.
- <u>History:</u> Class 2 will be comparing the lives of two inspirational women, Rosa Parks and Emily Davison, learning about the contributions they have made to History.
- RE: This half term we will be finding answers to the big question 'Why does Easter matter to Christians?'.
- <u>PE:</u> The children will still have PE every <u>Thursday</u> and <u>Friday</u>. One lesson will be
  delivered by myself and the other will be by our specialist PE coaches. Please make sure
  that your children wear their PE kits to school those days, and those with long hair have it
  tied up.
- PSHE: We will continue to learn about safety and the changing body.

Finally, if you require any further information or have any questions please feel free to contact me, either via Yammer or email. My email address is <a href="https://html.nctts.sch.uk">https://html.nctts.sch.uk</a>.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Stocks