

Dear Class 2 parents and children,

I hope you have had a fun-filled summer holidays and are ready for a busy term ahead.

This year I will be teaching the children Monday-Friday. Mrs Drew and Mr Tanner will be covering my out of class time on Wednesday afternoons. We are super lucky this year to be joined by two teaching assistants – Mrs Drew and Mrs Smith. They will be supporting myself and the children daily.



### Pick up and drop off

As outlined in Mrs Ryders letter, children will need to be dropped off at **8:45am** by the gate nearest to the school house and collected from the playground at **3:30pm**. It is crucial that you remain punctual with these timings.

### PE/Wild Woodland Learning

This year the children will have PE on **Mondays and Wednesdays**, so please make sure they come in wearing their PE kit on this day – this saves lots of 'changing' time. They should also come into school wearing warm appropriate clothing on **Tuesdays** for wild woodland learning. Normal Landscope uniform should be worn on Thursdays and Fridays. Wellies should be brought in a separate bag ready to change into – these can be left in school. Please make sure children bring a coat into school daily, even if it is sunny, we know how temperamental the weather can be! They will need a summer hat in the summer months. All belongings clearly labelled please.

### Water bottles/snacks

All children should bring in a clearly named water bottle to school each day. Fruit will be provided at break time, however children can bring in their own healthy snack from home if they wish. Please contact Amanda in the office if your child would like milk at break time – there is a small cost for this.

### Show and Tell

Show and Tell will take place on **Wednesdays** (as of 15<sup>th</sup> September) on a group by group rota basis (one group per week). A note will be stuck in the front of reading diaries in the first week to let you know which group your child is in. To save children's personal belongings getting lost, we ask that you post a picture on Teams of your child's show and tell on their designated week. Photos should be posted by **Wednesday at 12pm** at the latest, ready for the session in the afternoon. We encourage children's show and tell to be linked with our topic or something they have achieved/are proud of – this way the session is beneficial to all.

### Betsy the Bear

We have an additional member of our class this year – Betsy the Bear! She loves to go exploring with the Class 2 children and will be sent home once a week with a child for a weekend adventure. A child will be picked from the following week's show and tell group to have Betsy. Please draw/write/stick in photos of what you got up to with Betsy in her journal. **Please note – if your**

child has Betsy for the weekend, they will talk about their adventures with her in their show and tell the following week – they will not need something additional sent in. Please bring Betsy back into school on a Monday so that she can be put into quarantine!

### Reading

Alongside many opportunities to read in school, it is important that you read with your child daily, popping a comment in their reading diary to let us know how they are getting on. I promise your support makes a real positive impact on their progress! Mrs Drew will change books on **Thursdays**, only if the reading diary has been signed/ticked. Children will receive 3/4 books to read over the week – if they do not read one, they will keep this for another week. Children who are on accelerated reader will change their book in the library after they have read it a couple of times and taken the comprehension quiz.

### Spellings/key words

Spellings and key words will be checked on **Fridays**. Year 2 children will receive their new list on **Mondays** and this will align with a rule we are learning within our spelling and grammar sessions. Year 1 children will receive new key words on Fridays after the previous weeks has been checked – these will be written into the reading diary so please check this over the weekend.

### Homework

The children will be set homework on a **Wednesday** via a Teams post and this should be completed by the following **Wednesday**. Homework will always be linked to what we are learning in school to consolidate key skills and therefore it is very helpful if the children can complete it.

### Topics and trips

This year our topics are Toy Story (Autumn term), Fire fire! (Spring term) and Under the Sea (Summer term). Our first topic is all about the history of old and new toys, we will then learn about the Great Fire of London and finally all about seas and oceans. If you have anything you would like to bring in to support one of our topics, please talk to Miss Foster. We will hopefully link a fun trip in with each of our topics.

We look forward to working alongside you and your child this year! If you have any queries, please speak to a member of the team at the end of the day or email Mrs Grant in the office on [adminlandscove@thelink.academy](mailto:adminlandscove@thelink.academy). All queries will be passed on and responded to as soon as possible.

Miss Foster, Mrs Drew and Mrs Smith (Class 2 team)

