

Dear Class 2 parents and children,

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

This year I will be teaching the children Monday-Friday. Mrs Richardson will be returning to cover my out of class time on Friday afternoons and Mr Tanner will teach the children their second PE lesson on Wednesdays. **This will change to Mondays after October half term.** We are super lucky this year to be joined by two teaching assistants – Mrs Drew and Miss West, a familiar face for the Year 1 children! They will be supporting myself and the children daily.



Pick up and drop off

Children will need to be dropped off from **8:45am** by the gate up the path nearest to the school house and collected from the playground at **3:30pm**. The bell is rung in the morning at **9am**. It is crucial that you remain punctual with these timings to ensure a prompt start and finish to the day.

PE/Wild Woodland Learning

This year the children will have PE on **Wednesdays (Mondays after October half term) and Thursdays**, so please make sure they come in wearing their PE kit on this day – this saves lots of 'changing' time. Normal Landscope uniform should be worn on non-PE days. 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 too. All belongings clearly labelled please.

Wild Woodland Learning will take place for one full day per half term. The children will enjoy a topic themed day, immersing themselves in the fun of forest school. More information on this nearer the day.

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 which will need to be paid each term.

Show and Tell

Due to timetable constraints, there will be no Show and Tell this year.

Class Bear

We have an additional member of our class this year – our class bear, who we name in the first week together! They love to go exploring with the Class 2 children and will be sent home once a week (on a Friday) with a child for a weekend adventure. Please draw/write/stick in photos of what you get up to in their journal. **Please note – if your child has the class bear for the weekend,**

they will talk about their adventures the following week. It would be great if the bear could be brought back in on a Monday!

Reading

Alongside many opportunities to read in school, it is important that you read with your child daily, popping a tick or 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 **Wednesdays**, only if the reading diary has been signed/ticked. Children will receive 2 books to read over the week and should read these 2/3 times each. 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. Whether children read phonetic or library books, the reading record should be regularly signed.

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 practice 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. Please let us know if you would like a printed copy of homework for your child.

Topics and trips

This year our topics are Amazing Me! (Autumn term), Africa (Spring term) and Roots, Shoots and Moon Boots (Summer term). Please visit our class page on the school website to view a topic web for more information. 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. All queries will be passed on and responded to as soon as possible. Yellow diaries are checked daily so messages can be communicated through this also.

Miss Foster, Mrs Richardson, Mrs Drew, Miss West (Class 2 team)

