

# WELCOME BACK!



## Year 2 Learning Letter

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025



We have been so pleased with the way the children have settled into Year 2. Both classes have really impressed us with what they have remembered from last year! Huge congratulations to those children who have been doing their daily reading and maths. We look forward to rewarding the whole class for completing these daily tasks soon. Our topic this term is **Changing Worlds**, and so far we have been diving into the past to explore how technology has changed over time. We will move onto the geographical elements of this topic after October Half Term.

### The next two weeks:

- In **English**, we are continuing our narrative writing through the story of 'Caterpillar Shoes' with a focus on expanded noun phrases.
- In **Maths**, we are learning about place value, specifically mastering number to 100.
- In **Science**, we are looking at materials and their suitability for different purposes, like dungarees for a toddler and tea bags!
- In **Topic**, we will be comparing communication technology from the past and the present.
- In **Art**, we are working on our drawing skills through exploration of the world around us.
- In **P.S.H.E.**, we are learning about our first Puzzle piece, 'Being Me in My World'.

### Celebration Assembly

Celebration Assemblies have resumed on a Tuesday and we would love to celebrate any successes your children have outside of school. Please encourage your child to bring in any medals, certificates or trophies that they are awarded, for us to present again and for them to gain a place in the Celebration book! They may even earn themselves a values award.

### Blackberry Farmers

For our Learning Outside the Classroom passport, the children are asked to forage for blackberries! Please could you pop us a note in their diary if they manage to pick any at home over the next few weeks and we can sign it off for them. Happy hunting!

### Spelling patterns

Next week we will be checking which Year 1 common exception words the children can both read and write.

We will send home a sheet identifying any words for you to work on together. These words will be our first spelling focus this term.

### Ways to help your child

Each learning letter, we will endeavour to share some engaging ways to help your children with English and Maths at home. Let us know if your child manages to complete any activities, for potential house points!

There is always information and activities on the school website. Here is a link to some Maths available to download:  
<https://www.northdowns.surrey.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=5295&type=pdf>

Here is a great game to practise their place value skills:  
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/learning-to-count/place-value-basketball>

This is a little game to help with spelling Common Exception words:  
<https://ictgames.com/littleBirdSpelling/>

### Reminders

This year, P.E. will take place on **Mondays and Wednesdays for Kingfishers**, and **Mondays and Thursdays for Woodpeckers**. Please send your child to school in their P.E. kit on these days.

Just a reminder that the Leigh trim trail is out of bounds at drop off and pick up.

Please could Leigh parents remember to only use the pedestrian gate at pick up and drop off.

Thank you!

Miss Westwood and Ms Gahan.

