

Year 2 Learning Letter

Friday 16th September 2022



Welcome back!

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. Please do use the homework diaries if you have any queries or concerns or, alternatively, email us via info@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk

We will start to send out homework in the next few weeks. In the meantime, please continue reading each night and working on this half term's KIRF: knowing number bonds within 20.

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 completing the SPaG focus we have been working on since we started focussing on punctuation.
- 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 roofs 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'.

Meet the Teacher

Thank you to those who were able to attend our Meet the Teacher sessions this week. The Year 2 Non-Negotiables will be attached to this email as mentioned during the sessions.

Other Parent Guides/Leaflets can be found on the website along with the Maths KIRFs.

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

We are currently in the process of 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

In 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/attac hments/download.asp?file=5295&type=pdf

This website also has a number of fun place value games for Year 2:

https://go.educationcity.com/content_select/index/4/2/1/2#/s=38712

This is a little game to help with spelling Common Exception words:

https://ictgames.com/littleBirdSpelling/

Reminders

Monday 19th September is a National Bank Holiday for the Queen's State Funeral.

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

Thank you!

Mrs. Tubb and Miss Tennent