



Year 2 Learning Letter

Friday 30th September 2022



Well done to all those children who have completed and handed in the first piece of Spellings homework this year. Please remember to read with questioning and complete some Maths daily, signing/initialling both columns. Please also remind your child to remember to bring their reading diary to school every day.

Thank you for all your help and support with the settling into Year 2, we are so proud of the children's efforts to adapt to the new school year!

The next two weeks:

- In **English**, we will begin our poetry unit, looking at Edward Lear's *The Owl and the Pussycat*, among other poems.
- In **Maths**, we begin our learning of addition and subtraction.
- In **Science**, we will finish our learning about the properties of materials and material suitability - finding what makes the bounciest ball!
- In **Topic**, we are learning about some key figures in the development of communication technology.
- In **P.E.**, we are working on various ball skills, and learning some fabulous Flamenco moves!
- In **R.E.**, we will examine the question 'what do Christians believe God is like?'
- In **D.T.**, we will begin looking at how boats can float.

Logins

As mentioned at our Meet the Teacher sessions, in the back of your child's diary, you will find their login information. This will work for the following sites to access additional learning from home, if you wish to:

EducationCity: <https://go.educationcity.com/>

Purple Mash:

<https://www.purplemash.com//sch/northdowns>

SumDog (you may also need the school code northdowns): <https://www.sumdog.com/sch/northdowns>

Times Table Rock Stars:

<https://play.ttrockstars.com/>

Spellzone: <https://www.spellzone.com/login/login.cfm>

Spelling patterns

We have begun sending home the Year 2 spelling patterns, beginning with the 'j' sounds spelt 'g'.

Spelling Rule: this normally comes at the beginning or in the middle of words and often comes before 'e', 'l', or 'y'.

We have set up spelling lists on SpellZone. If you would like to use these to support weekly practise of spellings or for any additional support, that would be fantastic! Please continue to use the Bingo grid in your child's homework book.

Feeling Good Week 10th - 14th October 2022

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We are celebrating 'Feeling Good Week' coinciding with World Mental Health day on 10th October and have some fun activities planned for the children. As always, thanks for your support.

Ways to help your child

There are loads of different games on EducationCity to support your child's learning!

In the **Year 1** tab, under **Activities** is a game called **Stig's Spelling Adventure**. This game supports spelling of the Year 1 Common Exception words.

Purple Mash also has some great games and activities:

<https://www.purplemash.com/#tab/home/maths>

We recommend trying **Bond Bubbles!**

!! URGENT PLEA !!

Next week, we are learning about Alexander Graham Bell. If you have any old mobile phones or telephones, we would love to borrow them for our Topic lesson please!

Reminders

Individual school photos will take place next week on Thursday 6th (Brockham) and Friday 7th (Leigh).

Kingfishers - please wear uniform on Thursday 6th, not PE kit!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs. Tubb, Miss Tennent and Miss Westwood

