



## Class newsletter Year 2

### Spring Term 1

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Wishing you all a Happy New Year! I hope you had a lovely Christmas, and the children are ready for the start of an exciting new term.

This term, we will be exploring our topic of Space. During this topic, we will explore some of history's most intrepid explorers, comparing the likes of Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong. We will study Neil Armstrong's moon landing and the impact it had on the world. As always, our topics will be linked to the continuous provision within the classroom, so there will be lots of space related tasks for the children to explore, alongside their other classroom tasks. During this topic, we will be visiting the National Space Centre, along with Y5, on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January. This topic is an exciting one and I am sure the children will love it!

As always, any home learning that the children wish to share is always welcome! It is lovely to see the children excited about sharing something they have done at home related to a topic, or just something they are proud of. We have had lots of examples from photos of trips, books they have enjoyed and posters they have made, so please do encourage them to share!

In Maths, we will be learning about Money and solving problems related to this. Following on from this, we will be looking at Multiplication and Division. The White Rose Maths books will continue to be utilised and reflect the teaching that will be happening. The homework books will be marked together on a Wednesday during the Maths lesson, so please ensure that they are in school. The dates below show where the children should be up to, and when we will mark each piece:

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>- Marking pages 45-47  
Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>- Marking pages 48-50  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>- Marking pages 52-54  
Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>- Marking pages 55-57  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>- Marking pages 58-60  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>- Marking pages 61-63

### Little Wandle Group Reading Information

Since the implementation of Little Wandle, all children in EYFS and KS1 take part in three reading practice sessions each week as part of our reading curriculum. As these sessions are a routine element of our teaching, staff will not write in reading diaries to record when they take place. Reading diaries will instead be used to communicate any additional reading in school and, most importantly, to record reading completed at home. Reading for pleasure and the sharing of books are also key parts of the children's reading diet; these opportunities will be regularly facilitated in school but will not be recorded in reading diaries. It is essential that all home reading is noted in these diaries, in line with the expectations set out in the Home School Agreement shared at the beginning of the year. Thank you for your continued support in developing your child's reading progress.

Please also ensure that children have their reading books and diaries in school every day. The routine of regular reading is increasingly important as the children progress through school. This enables the children to thrive in many areas and makes a huge impact on their overall attainment. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring the children are reading regularly and this is being recorded in diaries.

Please note that our PE days will continue to be **Thursdays** and **Fridays**. Please ensure that children come to school in their PE kits on these days, with long hair tied back and earrings removed. Please ensure that kit consists of black shorts/jogging bottoms, a red t-shirt and a plain black/red hoodie.

If you have any other questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Many thanks,  
Miss Milner