

Year 2 Newsletter

Welcome Back! We hope you had a restful week and are looking forward to the term ahead.

English



Our Power of Reading book is 'The Lonely Beast' by Chris Judge. We will be writing diary entries, poems, stories and more!

We will continue to learn about adjectives, verbs and nouns and how to write in the present and past tense.

We will broaden our understanding of punctuation by using question marks, exclamation marks, commas and apostrophes. We will have a special focus on handwriting and presenting our work neatly.

Science



In Science we will continue our learning about living things and their habitats. We will sort things that are dead, alive and never lived. We will be learning about food chains and how they are suited to their environment. We will take a walk to Macey's Meadow to support our learning,

Geography

We will be developing our fieldwork and observational skills to study West Malling. We will be looking at human and physical features. We will learn about compasses and how to describe routes.

Art

We will be learning to draw and paint with increased accuracy. We will use the work of artists to inspire us.

Maths



We be learning efficient ways to add and subtract 2-digit numbers.

We will then use this knowledge in our Money unit to add amounts and work out change.

We will be learning the 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables, in and out of order. We will be using the language **groups of** instead of times to aid understanding.

We will then learn about the relationship between multiplication and division.

Computing



We will continue to learn to code in Scratch, moving on from ScratchJr. We will become games testers and look at the code behind different games.

RE



In RE we are looking into why Christmas is important to Christians. We will look at how Christians celebrate at home and in church.

Notices

PE will continue to be on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Please ensure that any clothing/belongings brought into school are clearly labelled including water bottles, school uniform, coats, hats, gloves and scarfs. Please ensure your child brings a water bottle into school every day.

Reading books should be read frequently through the week and brought back to school on Fridays. BugClub is great because it exposes your child to lots of different books, genres and important language features. Please answer the Bug questions as they help to reinforce the important reading skills we have been learning in class. This term we will be administering the Phonic Screening Check which was delayed last year, children will be asked to read 40 real and nonsense words using the phonetic skills they have learnt. To support your child with this I have added some games to the class page for you to use at home.

Each day children are expected to do a short reading and maths activity at home. It is vital to practise these key skills every day to help your child to make good progress. This may include Mathletics, BugClub, practising the year 2 spellings or 30/60 Club practise (addition, subtraction and times tables). Further ideas can be found on our class page on the school website.

Home learning is to be completed through the term and is due on **Monday 13th December**.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to the term ahead. Please do email me if you have any questions or catch me at the end of the school day.

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