



"Learning is a journey, to be taken together, one step at a time"



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Spring Newsletter – Year 2

Dates for your Diary

18th February – MSPCA Dress as an Animal Day

28th February – First day back after half term

28th February to 11th March – Fair Trade Fortnight

2nd March – Whole School Walk (more info to follow)

3rd March – World Book Day

18th March – Red Nose Day

8th April – Last Day of Spring Term

25th April – First Day of Summer Term

What have we been learning?

This term we have been learning about Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. We have covered topics such as Fairtrade, Geography and character drawings. In Literacy we have been developing skills to write detailed setting and character descriptions. In Math's, we have been looking at Money, Statistics and Multiplication and Division. During PE learning, we had the fantastic opportunity of attending a cricket workshop with the Isle of Man Cricket Association. Both classes have also enjoyed visiting the Onchan Wetlands area to learn in a new and natural outdoor environment.

What are we learning next?

Our topic next half term is Inventors and we will be linking this learning to the half terms Sustainable Development Goals (see below). In Maths we will be continuing our learning about Multiplication and Division as well as moving on to Length and Height. Our Literacy focus is on non-fiction writing to begin with looking at features such as sub-headings and bullet points. Materials will be our Science topic for the half term.

Sustainable Development Goals

The goals for Spring 2 are:

9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

- How are things made? ·
- Where would we be without roads?

11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities

- What would a sustainable city look like?
- What makes a healthy community?

World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 3rd March. We are excited to see the pebbles the children have designed and use them throughout the activities on the day. More information regarding World Book Day has been emailed in a separate letter.

Physical Education

Just a reminder all children need a full PE kit in school every day which contains trousers and shorts, a sports top and trainers. All earrings need to be removed for PE lessons or tape must be worn over the earrings and long hair needs to be tied up. Please make sure all school uniform and PE clothing items are named to avoid things getting misplaced.

Home Learning

We are delighted with the children's enthusiasm with Phonics learning inside and outside of the classroom. Just a reminder we collect the Phonics Learning Log on a Thursday to assess learning and then return the book to the child every Friday with the new codes and challenges. As well as reading the words, please also try to spell and write them into sentences.

You all have access to our Home Learning page on Its Learning. This is updated at the end of each week to allow you to consolidate learning which has taken place in the classroom. There are also links to useful websites.

We do still recommend daily reading and discussions about reading at home.

Home-school communication

All messages must come through the school office, as it is not guaranteed that Dojo messages will be read during the school day. A separate letter has been emailed home regarding home-school communication.

Thank you for your continued support.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask!

Miss Corkill and Miss Wooding