



## Year 2 Newsletter Spring 1 —2019/2020

### This half term's topic is: Towers, Tunnels and Turrets

Adults in year 2: Mrs Little, Mrs Burton, Mrs Smith, Miss Johnson, Miss Hutchinson and Mr Wilkie.

In **English** we will be focussing on:

- Writing narrative based on the book 'The Tunnel'. We will be writing an alternative ending to the story.
- Writing recounts based on real life experiences.
- Using question marks, exclamation marks and apostrophes.

In **R.E.** our unit is 'Gospel' and our key question is 'What is the good news that Jesus brings?' The focus of this will be looking at how Jesus shows forgiveness.

In **PSHE** we will be learning about what makes a good friend.

In **Computing**, the topic is called 'Questioning' which is about using databases and spreadsheets to ask and answer questions.

This half term, **P.E.** will be on a **Wednesday morning (indoor) and Friday afternoon (outside)**. This half term, the topics are gymnastics and team building. Please can you ensure your child's P.E kit is in school for these days. Including appropriate footwear.

In **Maths** we will be focussing on:

- Multiplication and division and how they are linked. We will have a focus on learning the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.
- Learning how to measure length and mass using different units of measure.

In **Topic** we will:

- Be learning about everyday materials and their different uses .
- Working scientifically through building different things.
- Be building structures out of different materials and testing their strength.
- Be looking at castles through the ages and comparing them.

#### Key Information

**Reading books** – Some children will continue to bring a phonics book home and most children will also have an Accelerated Reader book.

***In order for your child to be heard read by an adult in school it is essential that books remain in your child's book bag and are brought into school every day.***

Please write a brief comment in your child's Reading Record book each week prior to their book change day.

Homework will be given out on a Friday and be due back the following Thursday.

**If you have any queries or concerns please speak to your child's class teacher.**