



Year 1 and Year 2 Summer 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here we are in the final half-term of the academic year! We hope you have had a relaxing holiday and have been able to enjoy the outdoors a little more. Firstly, a big thank you and well done to all the Year 2 children who completed their KS1 tests last half term. We are all very proud of the children and their fantastic learning attitudes, we really are very lucky to be able to teach such amazing children! The results will be included in their end of term reports.

“Did the Wright brothers get it right?”

The driver for our topic this half term is History and we will be looking at the inventors and their lives. We are really looking forward to being inventors ourselves and making some flying models (and perhaps even some paper aeroplanes!).

Our key books will be 'The Wright Brothers', a non-fiction text and 'Those magnificent sheep in their flying machine'. Please continue to share any favourite books from home linked with the topic, we always love hearing about what the children are reading and are keen to keep the children talking about books.

Year 1 Phonics screening

This half term the Year 1 children will be tested on their phonic knowledge using the government Phonics Screening materials. This will take place week commencing 11th June, so please ensure your child is in school every day. The testing is very informal and the children are used to the process so we are looking forward to the children wowing us!

Dates for the Diary

Please check diaries for special stickers about what's going on in school. Key dates will appear on the school website and whole school newsletters.



Sunshine!

We like to take advantage of being outside as much as possible in the Summer term so please ensure that you have either signed your child's sun cream sticker in their diary or provided them with a labelled alternative that can be kept in school. We also ask that the children are sent with a hat each day.

P.E.

Please can we remind parents and carers to ensure that your child has their PE kit clearly named for our PE lessons, we are still finding lots of items of clothing that we are unable to reunite with the right child due to no name being written in it.

- PE kits stay at English Martyrs' for the half term and then are sent home for washing in the holiday.
- We will have PE on a **Wednesday**.
- If your child wears earrings please can they be removed on Tuesday evening/ Wednesday morning before they come to school otherwise they are unable to take part in P.E.
- As the weather warms up please ensure your child has suitable outdoor clothing.

Reading

Thank you so much for supporting our weekly reading competition in Year 2, it really has made a difference to the children and their text comprehension, please keep it up! Please continue to read with child as much as you can each week and note it in their diary, feel free to include bedtime books shared at home too - it all counts!

Important information

- Please refer to your child's diary or school website for current targets/outcomes and homework.
- The term's planning can be accessed on the school website.
- Snacks sent to school need to be healthy and children can be sent with a water bottle that can be topped up throughout the day from our water filters.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards

Mrs Oldershaw, Mrs Jones and Mrs Ellis.