

School value:

Our school value for this half term is Respect. Circle time sessions will give the children the chance to explore our value.

Welcome to Y2

A very warm welcome to our Y2 children and their families.
If you wish to speak to any of the class teachers please book an appointment with the school office, **020 8854 5055**, or you can contact us directly, via email at,

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Year 2's learning this half term:

Curriculum (History) During Autumn 2, the learning in year 2 will continue around the theme of 'Human Rights', with a focus on equal rights for all. Over the course of the term the children will be recalling what they already know about equal rights and the suffragettes through a variety of oracy games, and then will begin to look at the importance of primary and secondary sources. We will analyse a range of sources and decide which are most reliable and share why. We will also be asking questions about the suffragette artefacts we have analysed using the sentence stem 'I wonder...' We will be focussing on the untold story of Sushama Sen, an Indian politician who campaigned with the suffragettes and was only 1 of the 22 female politicians. We will be researching key information about her life and recalling this through story maps and through class presentation. Throughout the half term we will also focus on Sarah Parker Reymond and how she was the only black women to sign a petition for requesting the right for women to vote out of 1500 people, and gave her first speech at 16 years old! During the half term we will be reflecting on the importance of speeches during the fight for womens rights and we will be creating our own speech on the importance of equal rights. .



English In English, this half term Year 2 will be reading our core text 'Izzy Gizmo'. We will be exploring the themes of resilience and determination and identifying what it means to have a growth mindset. This is a story about a young girl, Izzy, who find a bird with a broken wing and is determined to fix it, but some of Izzy's inventions don't work, and she has to keep trying until she finds the perfect solution. This is an inspirational story that shows everyone can be an inventor if they want to. We will be identifying how Izzy feels at various parts of the story and comparing this to our own emotions, and also how we have regulated negative emotions. We will become inventors and begin to fix problems around the school, which leads up to our writing outcome of a 'Guide to be an Inventor' where we will reflect on the values needed to be an inventor and also important inventors we have researched.

Maths In Maths, this half term Year 2 will be focusing on addition and subtraction. We will also be identifying the value of money. We will be applying the skills through reasoning and real life application. We will continue to review our learning of place value as well as practicing the 2 times table.



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Teachers: Miss Stanton Miss Mead Mrs Major

**Support Staff: Miss Evans Mrs Smith Mrs Pringle
Miss Ward Miss Sarah Miss Trigueros**

Science we will be continuing to learn about 'Living things and their habitats'. How does a habitat provide an animals basic need? How are animals and plants are suited to their habitat? These are all questions we will explore in this exciting topic to improve our understanding. In addition, we will be focussing on our working scientifically skills and be carrying out an investigation linked to observations of micro-habitats.

PE, we will be exploring multi skill games. We will be dribbling a ball while changing direction and also changing hands, and also pass the ball to our partners. During the half term we will be practicing our aim through throwing different objects at a target and by kicking a ball into a designated area.

Art the children will be developing their skills linked to different materials to create a sculpture. We will be creating a 3d sculpture of a bird using papier mache and creating tone through a variety of shades. This will be a large whole class piece created through modelling our character skill 'Relationships'.

RE focus this half term is Christianity. Throughout the half term we will be identifying the importance of churches; what happens in a church and how Christians worship. Rayan is excited to find out about how Christians worship and if it is different to how he worships. We will also be identifying significant symbols and objects in churches and exploring their meaning. During the half term we will be discussing Christian ceremonies and sharing how they are similar/different to our own cultures.

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PE: PE will take place twice a week, **Mondays** and **Wednesdays**. Please make sure children bring their PE kits at the start of term. They will be taken home again at the end of half term so they can be washed. It is important the children have their PE kit in school every day. They should have suitable clothing and footwear for both indoor and outdoor PE.

Reading records: Please ensure children bring in their reading records daily so that we will be able to see what reading has taken place.

Water bottles: Please ensure your child brings a clean, suitable water bottle into class with their name on.

Times Tables: In Year 2 children begin to learn their times tables of their 2s, 5s and 10s.

Dates for the Diary:

19th November –
children in need

Tuesday 23rd November
KS1 maths parent
morning

Friday 26th November –
INSET day, kids not in
school

1st December – Science
Museum Trip

3rd December
pantomime for KS1

10th December –
Christmas jumper day

13th December – KS1
nativity