

## Year 2's Newsletter

Dear Parents/carers,

I hope that you had a lovely and fun-filled Christmas break. The children have now settled back into year 2 and are ready for the exciting challenges ahead. I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of the children's learning over the coming half term.



### Religious Education

In religion, we are initially looking at the celebration of Epiphany. We will consider the value of the gifts we have given and received over the Christmas break and how their sentimental value impacts how we feel about them. We will then look at our local church and think about the journeys that we take as Christians throughout our life.

### English



This half term, we will be looking at changing tales, focusing on the story of The Rainbow fish. We will consider how we can build up description in our writing and include this in our final piece. We will then move on to information texts, looking initially at information on animals and then applying what we have learnt to a information text about an animal that we are going to create.

### Maths

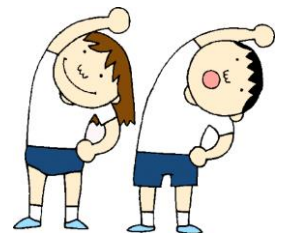
In maths this half term, we will be continuing to focus on money and multiplication and division. We will look at different methods we can use to solve multiplication and division problems, using equipment and written methods wherever appropriate. Our focused times tables this year are 2, 5 and 10 so our learning will be primarily based on this as we move to solving problems. We will also be looking at money later in the half term, identifying the values of coins and solving problems with this knowledge.

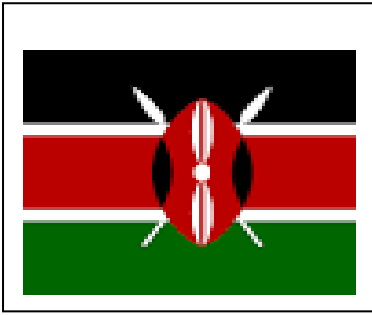
Throughout the year, we will be having a massive push on our times tables. Remember to continue to access Times Table Rockstars; if you need login information then please ask.



### P.E

The children will have 1 session of P.E a week, which is on a **Wednesday**. Remember that your child can come to school in their P.E kit (white top, black bottoms, trainers and their **purple school jumper**) on a Wednesday.





### Geography

Our geography topic for this half term is Kenya. We will consider the characteristics of a hot country. We will use maps to identify the different continents and locate both the UK and Kenya from the world map. We will think carefully about the differences in weather and how we prepare for this weather.

### Reading

Reading books will be changed when your child has finished their book and completed their assessment at school. Please ensure that you are reading regularly with your children and signing their books. When the children have finished reading ask them questions about the book, this helps to develop their comprehension skills.

In addition to this, all children will read to an adult as frequently as possible in school, and will have daily taught reading sessions with a teacher each week. As a consequence, please ensure that your child's reading book and reading record are in school **everyday**.

### Science

This term we will learn about materials and their properties. We will be considering the different uses of materials in our local area and the characteristics.



### Art

This half term, we will be looking at Earth Art. This is using natural materials to create art Including creating our own pet rocks.

### Homework

Homework will be given out weekly. It will be sent out on a Friday and is due back by the following week. If your child needs support, please let me know before Friday and I will be happy to help.

If you have any queries or concerns about your child's learning in Year 2, please contact me using our class email: **2P@aliceinghamrc.rochdale.sch.uk**.

Thank you for your continued home support.

Kind regards,

Miss Childs, Mrs Ali and Miss Byrne.