

Year 2 Newsletter



Welcome back Year 2!

A big welcome back after the Christmas Holidays and a Happy New Year to you all! I hope everyone had a wonderful and relaxing break and our Year 2 children are ready to start a brand new term.

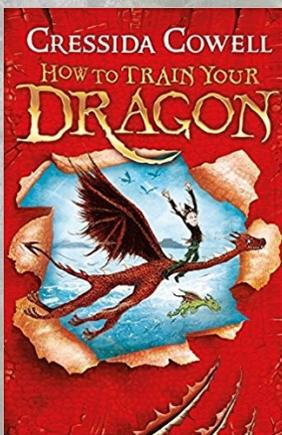
The children worked so hard last term and I am sure they will continue this throughout Spring Term.

How can we build a castle?

This term, our topic is based around castles, knights and dragons. Throughout this topic, we will be finding out about why castles were built, why they were important and who lived in them. We will also be using books, pictures, videos and the internet to research and find out about the lives of knights and the kingdoms they lived in.

We will also be visiting Durham Castle! An exciting opportunity to find out about the history of a castle on our very own doorstep.

More information will be sent out about this nearer the time of the visit.



Our class novel, How to train your Dragon, tells the story of a small boy named Hiccup who sets out to catch his first dragon but there's lots of surprises in store.

It's set to be an interesting read!

To bring the topic to an end, we will be building our very own castle, using what we have found out from our Topic!

Treat time

Our Treat Day was a great success and rewards for timetables, reading and spelling will continue to be given to children next term!

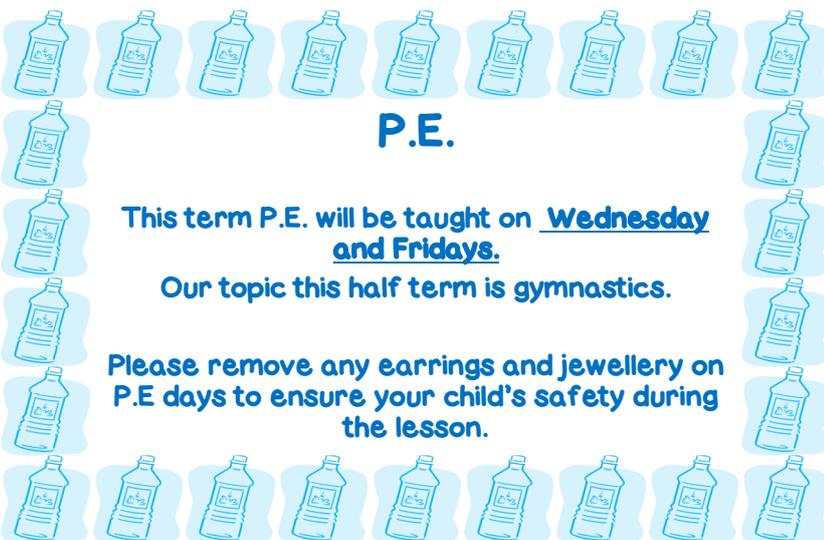
Remember, to earn your rewards you must ...

- * Read at least 4 times a week to receive a prize from the Star Reader box. Reading regularly plays a vital role in your child's learning. Please try to spare 5/10 minutes each day, sharing your child's reading book with them.
- * Practise timetables at least 4 times a week to earn 1 ice cream/treat shop token. Children need 5 tokens to be awarded an ice cream. Our focus in Year 2 is the 2, 5 and 10 X tables. Knowledge of timetables is extremely important and is used across the maths curriculum.

Please record in your child's daily red homework book and sign in the home part.

- * Practise your spelling pattern/key words and tricky words to earn up to 2 bouncy castle minutes. Spelling is a key focus of our writing process and children need lots of practise to develop their spelling ability.

All information about rewards and homework can be found in the front of your child's homework book.



P.E.

This term P.E. will be taught on Wednesday and Fridays.

Our topic this half term is gymnastics.

Please remove any earrings and jewellery on P.E days to ensure your child's safety during the lesson.

This term, we are lucky enough to have Mrs James, a specialist music teacher working with us in class.

This will take place on a Wednesday afternoon.

As always, thank you for your continued support.