

Year 2 Newsletter



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As-salamu alaykum (Peace Be Upon You)

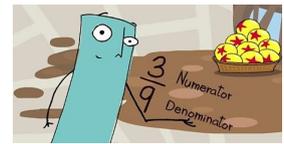
We hope you've had a relaxing holiday and are ready to enjoy the spring term. We have a great deal of enjoyable learning to look forward to and can't wait to get started! Below, are a few important reminders the Spring term and we hope you find this newsletter useful and informative.

Preparing for Year 2 SATs



This term we will be preparing for Year 2 SATs which will be taking place in May. Maths SATs in particular can seem a daunting task for Year 2 children, but there are many practical, fun ways to help them consolidate their classroom learning and make mathematical concepts (from number bonds to 3D shapes) real and easy to understand. Here are a few links to some helpful websites :

- ⇒ <https://www.theschoolrun.com/sats/sats-year-2>
- ⇒ <https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/subjects/zjxhfg8>
- ⇒ <https://www.khanacademy.org/math>



Our school subscribes to Mathletics and Bug Club and every child should have an account. These web sites are designed with fun educational games and lessons which will help your child learn and make progress outside their class. If your child doesn't have their account details please speak to the class teacher or Year 2 Group Leader. Additionally, we understand that some children may not be able to access these websites at home or in the public library. If that is the case, please request for an opportunity for your child to access these sites during the school day.

Uniform, PE and Water

Please ensure that children wear the correct uniform at all times. It is essential that all pieces of uniform are labelled with your child's name. A lot of unlabelled clothes are lost and unclaimed.



Class Name	Ibn Zayd	Ibn Abbas	Bint Abee Bakr
PE Day	Tuesday	Monday	Thursday

Please ensure you send in your child's PE kit which can stay in school for this half term. Please remember to send a water bottle to school with your child, so that they can remain hydrated.

Home Readers



It is really important that children read every single day for at least 10 minutes to an adult and 10 minutes independently. Please also encourage your child to write a comment in their reading log to state how they found their given book. Additionally, all children should bring their reading logs and book bags to school on a daily basis.

Important dates for your diary

- 31.01.19- Ibn Abbas Class Assembly
- 15.02.20— Last Day of Half-Term
- 07.03.19- World Book Day
- 14.03.19— Book Fair
- 05.04.19— End of Spring Term

Here is an overview of the units this term.



	Spring 1	Spring 2
Maths	Addition and Subtraction Numbers to 1000 Multiplication and Division Numbers to 1000 Money (coins, notes, change and usage) Reading analogue clocks (am, pm, to the hour and past the hour) Graphs, (analysing and interpreting data)	
English 	Non-chronological reports. Poetry. Stories from other cultures.	Traditional and Fairy Stories. Recounts. Information Texts.
Science	Plants 	Matter
History/ Geography	Geography — Contrasting locality (Kenya)	History — Romans
ICT	We are Game Testers - Computer Games	We are Zoologists - Recording data
RE	Christianity	Christianity
Visual Arts	Puppets (Textiles)	Portraits (Artist study: Da Vinci)
Music	Singing songs	Singing and performing 
PE	Making up a game	Dribbling, kicking and hitting.
MFL	French	French
PSHE	Money Matters	Who Likes Chocolate?

Punctuality and Attendance

It is important that your child arrives on time everyday to school to ensure that they have a good start to the day. Please send your child to school as much as possible so that they can maximise their learning throughout the year. If your child is absent from school, please provide a letter stating the reason for absence on their return.



Homework

By giving your child homework each week, we are helping them practise their learning that they have been taught in the week. It is very important that they complete all of their homework neatly into their Homework books and this will be monitored closely. Homework will be set on Friday of each week and will need to be completed and returned by Monday of the following week. Your child will be getting:

- Spellings to practise
- Times tables and number facts
- Big question project homework—to be completed by the end of the term
- Literacy (writing) homework
- Maths homework

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to the Year Group Leader Mrs Hamid or any other member of the Year 2 team.

Kind regards,
The Year 2 team