



# Welcome to Spring Term in Class 2!



## PE, Forest School and swimming

Our PE sessions this term are on **Wednesdays** and **Thursdays**. We have Ben on Wednesdays and gymnastics on Thursdays with Lucy. PE kits can be kept at school and taken home on Thursdays.

Our Forest school days this half term are:

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February**

Class 2 will also be going swimming with Class 1 after the February half term. We will be going every afternoon for one week (19<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> February).

## Homework

### Spellings

RWI spellings will be stuck in Reading Journals every Monday, tests for children on the 5 day programme are on Fridays, however children on the 3 day programme will be tested on different days every week. As more children graduate from RWI, you will see a difference in the children's spellings. They will still be stuck into their Reading Journals every Monday, ready to practise for the test on Friday. Rainbow Spellings can also be practised at home, with the opportunity to be tested towards the end of term, although children can ask to be tested earlier if they are ready.

### Book bags

Book bags should be brought into school **every day**. We encourage children to read a book three times with an adult that is recorded in their Reading Journals before swapping to help with their fluency and expression. Children on the RWI programme will bring home a book level below the level they are reading in school. This will support children to build on their fluency, confidence and expression.

## Topics and Themes

Our topic this term is:



With our inquiry question being:

**What did the Romans do for us?**

We will be reading:



We will be looking at the spread of the Roman Empire out of Italy and across large parts of Europe, parts of North Africa and West Asia. We will also learn how Britain changed after the invasion and the impact on daily life, as well understanding how the Roman Empire influenced and shaped the world that left a lasting legacy on the Britain we know today. In Design and Technology we will be researching, designing and making our own Roman chariot, as well as making our own Roman inspired mosaics in art.

In science, once we have finished our 'rocks' topic we will be moving onto 'forces and magnets' where the children will be conducting an investigation on friction.

In PSHE we will be looking at our 'dreams and goals,' before moving on to 'celebrating difference.' In computing the children will be spending more time coding. We will also be having French lessons every Thursday with Mrs Schotefield.

## Targets

You will see that your child has a reading, writing and maths target stuck in their Reading Journal. We will be working on these targets in class, however if you would like to work on these at home it would be greatly appreciated. Further targets will be shared at Parents Evening.

**Dates for your diary can be found on the school website!**

