

# Curriculum Letter

Year 2 Term 4



Dear Parents,

## Topic

Our class topic this term is 'Towers, Tunnels and Turrets'. As part of this topic the children will be looking at the history of castle and castle life, also the lives of significant other like Isambard Kingdom Brunel. In D & T they will be making models of towers, bridges and tunnels. We are continuing our science topic of materials.

## Homework

Spellings for this term will be stuck in their homework books. All books need to be handed in on Thursday. Children need to write a sentence which includes each word in their homework books. Spelling tests will be on Thursday and books will be given back on Friday. On the final week of term I will choose random words from those they have learnt in previous weeks, to check they have retained them, if not we will revisit them later in the year. Maths- maths homework will be set online via the Mathletics website. The children all have a login in their homework books. You are able to download the app free for tablets. If however you do not have access to the internet and would prefer work stuck in the homework books as before, please let me know.

Reading- home readers will be checked at school once a week. The books will be changed when we feel a child is not only confident with reading the text and key words but also understands the story or fact book. Re-read the book several times to encourage fluency. See the questions at the back of the book to aid your child at home. Please fill in the reading journal and should your child finish a book feel free to write in extra books they have read from home.

## PE

PE this term will be on a Thursday afternoon with MSP Coach Alex and on Monday they will be going swimming. Children will need to have their PE kits in school at all times. A PE kit should include: T-shirt, shorts, plimsolls, socks, tracksuit bottoms and top and trainers. Please label all items of clothing.

## Other

- 'Attached are some ideas for Topic homework. Please choose at least 2 off the list to complete during this term. Children may bring them in as soon as they have completed them and present them to the class and every other week they will show them in Friday achievement assembly.
- Evergreen is now over two weeks. The children are aware of unacceptable behaviour and are given a reminder then a warning, if this occurs more than once during the day they will take a green slip to the headteacher. If Mrs Woolley receives 2 slips in a day they will lose their evergreen. Certain behaviours deemed to be severe can result in losing their evergreen immediately. Children will have chance over the two week period to earn some of their evergreen time back. A text home is sent at the end of each week. Positive behaviour is rewarded with teampoints, certificates, praise and their evergreen treat.

And finally...

I hope your child enjoys this term in Year 2, should you have any concerns or problems please do not hesitate to contact me.

Miss Bishop & Ms Beastall  
Year 2 Teaching Team

