



Welcome back and Happy New Year!

I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year and feel recharged and refreshed ready for the new term. This term our topic is 'China' where the children will be learning about the Chinese culture and traditions.

## Dates for your Diary

- **Year 2 Assessment Information event Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020 3.30pm** – An important event to learn about the National Assessments children will be taking in May. Mrs Hurl will be looking after the children, of parents who attend this meeting, in another room.
- **Year 2 national assessment period May 2020** - Requests for a child's absence, such as a holiday, during this period will be declined.
- **Phonics Screening Check Monday 8<sup>th</sup> to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020** – Applicable to some year 2 children (you will already know if you child will be taking the check)
- **Census Day Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020**
- **Parent Consultation Meetings Monday 10<sup>th</sup> from 3.45 pm and Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February from 4.30pm** – booking information to follow.
- **Half Term Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020**
- **Back to School Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020**
- **Last day in school of the Spring term Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020**
- **Back to school for the Summer term Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2020**

## Other dates to note

- **Safer Internet Day Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020** The children will participate in activities to develop their online safety skills and knowledge
- **World Book Day Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March** – Dress up as a book character. Fun activities are planned throughout the day.
- **Perform 4 Schools drama workshops** – Focusing on the theme 'Around the World' 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020
- **Sport Relief** – 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020
- **'Chance to Shine' cricket sessions** – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020
- **Firefighters visiting Year 2** – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020

## Homework Summary

**Reading book** – Bring in each day (aim to read daily and record in the Reading Record – remember to colour 1 box on the sheet in the back every day that you read)

**Home spelling book** – Bring in on a Friday (Learn on Monday – Thursday)

**Mathematics Homework book** – Bring in on a Wednesday (Complete on Thursday – Tuesday)

**Additional work, such as reading keywords, may be sent home in addition to this homework.**

If your child would like to complete any activities at home, based on our topic of China, we would be delighted to see their work and will give time for your child to share what they have done with the whole class.

## School Uniform

Please check all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name. I always check any clothes in our box daily and return them to their owners. If your child wears earrings, please provide them with micropore tape to cover the earrings for PE lessons.

### **PE**

Our PE days are now Tuesday and Thursday.

### **Curriculum**

Please find attached our curriculum map taking us up to Easter.

I look forward to seeing you at the Year 2 Assessment meeting and then the parent/teacher meetings later this half term to discuss your child's progress and how to further support your child at home.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to come and see me at the door before/after school.

### **Thank you**

I would like to thank all of you who kindly gave me a gift for Christmas. They were all so lovely and I truly appreciate your kindness.

Thank you for your support,

Miss Goodship  
Willow Class Teacher