# Year 2 Newsletter 2022-2023 Term 1

### **Reading and RWi**

Children will be sent home with 2 RWI books to read. One of the books is the book that we are focusing on within the sessions and the other is a story that contains the same sound we are learning.

We would like children to complete 20 minutes of reading at home every day and for parents to then sign their reading records so we can keep track in school.

> Read Write Inc. Phonics

<u>Curriculum</u>

Our first topic this term is called 'The Golden Age'. We will be learning about Queen Elizabeth I, what life was like during her reign and the changes that she made at the time. We will also be studying Sir Francis Drake! We will be learning about his travels, the new lands that he explored and then creating our own explorers outfit, new worlds and making our own ships!

### **Storytelling/Writing**

This term we have begun by looking at royalty in The United Kingdom and what makes royalty. We have explored relevant objects and will hear a story all about Queen Elizabeth I. From this we will write an information page to support our Golden Age topic learning and follow this with some letter writing from Sir Francis Drake. Our main focus will be accurate use of punctuation and ensuring that we remember the key components of both basic and more complex sentences. We will encourage accurate letter formation, joined writing and support with both fine and gross motor skills to help support writing.

## <u>Maths</u>

We will begin the year by focusing on place value and numbers to 100. We will then move onto addition and subtraction. Keep an eye on Mathletics for some activities to support our classwork.

Use Numbots and Mathletics to help practise number bonds and time tables!



#### **Spellings**

Please bring Home Learning books in on a Thursday so that we can complete a spelling test in the back of them on Friday. Use Spelling Shed as much as you possibly can to practise your words. We will also put a paper copy of the termly words into your Home Learning book.



**PE days** – Wednesday & Thursday Please make sure ALL of your PE kit has your name in it so we can return it to you if it gets lost.

**Speaking and Listening in Year 2** - we use this time to share successes outside of school (such as swimming or karate certificates) or items related to any of the topics we are studying this term.

**Outdoor Learning** –

Marie Curie Class – Friday 16th September & 23rd September

Albert Einstein Class – Friday 30th September & 7th October.

Please pop and see one of the Year 2 team if you need any further information or have any queries at all - we are happy to help!

