

YEAR 2

# The Class Newsletter

Term 1  
September 2017



## Term 1—Don't mess with wizards!

This term our topic is based upon 'The Tempest', a play written by William Shakespeare.

We are going to become wizards and will be having a very magical term of creativity and learning! To become a wizard we will need to do lots of activities around the wizard character Prospero who is in the play 'The Tempest'.



### DAYS TO REMEMBER

<b>Monday</b>	<b>PPA afternoon 2T — Forest School ( from 18.9.17)</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>PE— Both classes (indoor and outdoor kit) Homework due in</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>PE — Both classes (indoor and outdoor kit) Weekly library session — both classes.</b>

In Maths this term, we will be focusing on counting, place value, addition and subtraction.

By October half term we would really like the children to be counting in 1s, both forwards and backwards, to 100.

Please practise this at home.

Keep an eye out for individual targeted number facts that will be given to your child throughout the term.



In English this term, we are going to be describing and becoming wizards, thinking about their personality and appearance.

We will also be looking at wizard poetry and using the examples given to write our own.

In our Topic lessons we are going to be looking at the world and identifying continents and oceans.

In our Science-based lessons, we are going to be learning about materials and their properties.

Throughout the term we are going to be creating wizard props using a variety of skills.



### Reading Records

This year, reading records will be checked daily. The Year 2 expectation is for the children to read for a minimum of 10 minutes, five times a week. Re-reading the same book, will really help the children become more fluent and confident readers.

The books can be found in the Year 2 shared area so please swap your child's books regularly from the correct colour band.

### Home Learning—Menu style!

This term you are going to be able to choose your homework! We expect you to do one piece a week and to bring it in on a Tuesday to share with us. All of the tasks link to our topic 'Don't mess with wizards!' and require you to use different skills. Please tick off and date when you have completed a task. We are expecting five pieces of homework to have been completed by the end of term and the first is due in on Tuesday 19th September. Maths is included on this choice menu so please make sure at least one of the home learning tasks you choose is a maths-based one. We will be providing the children with a homework book that they can use if they wish..