

SHERWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 2 AUTUMN 2 NEWSLETTER



KEY VOCABULARY

property	a thing or things belonging to someone or something.
waterproof	not allowing water to go through.
absorbent	describing a material which is able to soak up liquid easily.
transparent	allowing light to pass through so that objects behind can be clearly seen.
development	the process of getting bigger.
local	someone or something from the nearby area.
summarise	to write or give a summary about something
investigate	to study by close examination and questioning.
interpret	explain the results of information
array	an array is a way of arranging things in rows and columns.

AUTUMN 2 2023

Welcome back! We hope you had a restful half term. The children have settled into Year 2 brilliantly and have relished the challenges Year 2 has to offer. As ever, if you do have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

READING BOOKS

Please remember that reading books are changed on a **Tuesday** and a **Friday** each week. We encourage the children to discuss their reading more and keep revisiting their book. Please can the children ensure they bring in their reading diary and reading books into school every day. Children will also be visiting the Library on a Tuesday afternoon so please ensure library books are brought into school every day.

PE

We will be completing our PE sessions on a **Monday** and **Tuesday** this half term. Please can we stress that children need to have a **LABELLED** indoor and outdoor PE kit. We will not be able to locate missing items if they are unnamed.

KEY KNOWLEDGE

By the end of this half term, we would like children to know the history of their local area of Sherwood. The children will make predictions about what they think was here before. They will use historical maps to find out if we were correct. They will look at photographs of the school as it has grown. Which parts of the school are older than others? The children will be able to give a clear explanation of how Sherwood has changed over time and how it continues to change.

THIS HALF TERM WE ARE READING:

This half term we will be reading 'Cinderboy', which is an enjoyable twist on the modern fairytale Cinderella. Ask your child to predict what could happen in Cinderboy based on their knowledge of Cinderella.

CLASS TEXTS: We are also reading class texts usually at the end of the school day. 2KH are still reading 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl and 2AH are reading 'The Creakers' by Tom Fletcher.

WRITING FOCUS

This half term we are still reminding the children to use capital letters and the correct punctuation at the end of sentences. We are also encouraging the children to say their sentence first, write it and then read it back to check it makes sense. We are going to be focusing on using the conjunctions **and**, **but** and **or**. We will also be looking at writing in the past tense and how some verbs don't always follow the adding -ed rule. We will also be looking at commas and using these in lists.

KEY MATHS SKILLS

In Maths this half term, we will be focussing on the following skills:

- To use our knowledge of place value to solve addition and subtraction calculations. We will also be using our jottings to help us solve some tricky problems.
- Recognising different coins and finding totals of amounts.
- Learning all about arrays in Multiplication and using these in problems.
- Learning about grouping and sharing and using these methods to solve division calculations.
- Learning about telling the time. Can you test your child on their knowledge of time? Discuss with them what times they are aware of during their daily routine (what time they go to school, go to bed, eat tea etc.)