



# Greenfield Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you and your children have had a wonderful Christmas and we would like to wish you a Happy New Year. The children have had a fantastic Autumn term in Year 2 and we look forward to the upcoming Spring term. This letter will provide you with an overview of the subjects and topics we will be covering in class over the Spring term and some information regarding PE.

## **English**

During the first Spring term, we will cover units such as building sentences correctly, shape poems, fact files and recounts. In addition to our English lessons there will also be discreet phonics/spelling and handwriting sessions which are taught daily plus comprehension and other reading activities taught throughout the week. We also intend to read class novels to the class on a regular basis enabling them to listen to stories and to encourage them to read themselves for pleasure. Our first class novel will be *The Bolds* by Julian Clary.

## **Maths**

In Maths during the we will be focusing heavily on money and solving problems involving amounts of money and we will be looking at multiplication and division methods. There is a great free App that children can use at home called **1 Minute Maths**. You can read more about this on the White Rose Maths website. You will be able to find a link for this in the Maths section of our Year 2 class pages along with other online resources that you might find useful. In addition to our maths lessons, the children will take part in a mastery in maths session each day which will give them further opportunities to develop key skills and to reason and problem solve.

## **Science**

Our first Science topic will focus on plants (light and dark) and our second unit for this term will be living things and their habitats.

## **History and Geography:**

We will begin by considering the question, 'Why did the Titanic sink?' This topic will link to History and we will exploring lots of facts about the Titanic and discussing what happened after the sinking. We will link Art and DT to our history topic as well as completing separate units of Art and DT work. Our topic for the second half of the term will be 'How would my life be different if I lived in Kithamani?' In this Geography topic we will comparing Kithamani to Greenfield, learning about the country and its climate and identifying locations on a map.





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## PE

PE will take place twice weekly. Children will need to come to school in their PE kits on their PE days.

PE days for Mrs Snape's class are **Tuesday and Thursday**.

PE days for Miss Cassinelli's class are **Monday and Friday**.

## Other subjects

Each child will have discrete computing lessons during the week and ICT will be linked to the curriculum when appropriate. The children will also continue to learn Spanish this term. We will also continue to follow our RE scheme this term and the themes for Year 2 this half term will focus on Islam and will ask 'How should we care about others and the world?'

## Homework and additional information

Homework will be sent home every Friday and will consist of spellings on Spelling Shed (to learn for a check on Friday), sentence building in homework writing books and a reading book to be shared and discussed at home. Children should bring their reading book in on Wednesdays at the latest so that it can be changed and your child can be read with at school with an adult. Please make a comment in your child's reading book when they read to you at home. Homework needs to be completed by the following Thursday at the latest please.

Children in Year 2 are still not required to bring their own pencil case to school as we have all the equipment in class that they will need. We would again be very grateful if children could avoid bringing items into school from home (such as toys) as this can cause distractions during learning time. However, we are more than happy for children to share any special achievements such as awards or special news.

We hope the above information is useful but please don't hesitate to speak to us if there is anything you are unsure of. We are usually available before school from 8am or you can usually see us at the classroom door before school and at the end of the day.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Snape and Miss Cassinelli

Maple and Juniper Classes – Year 2

