



Year 2 Newsletter

Copthorne Primary
School

September 2017



Welcome Back!



We hope you all had a pleasant holiday.
Thank you for making sure all children are arriving on time and ready to learn.



What we will be learning about this term in Maths and English:

Year 2 will be an exciting year where your child will be learning new skills and knowledge through a wide variety of activities both inside and outside the classroom.

In **mathematics** this half term, children will be developing their understanding of place value, learning strategies for calculating, solving mathematical problems, sorting 2D and 3D shapes and beginning to learn the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

In **English lessons** children are exploring stories with familiar story settings and developing ideas for writing their own stories. Children will then draft, edit and improve their story to create a final version.

We look forward to working with you and your child throughout this year. Thank you for your continued support.

Thank you,

Miss Saghir and Miss Townend
(Year 2 Teachers)



P.E.

Children have P.E. lessons twice each week:
* **2 Holly on Tuesdays and Fridays**
* **2 Elm on Tuesdays and Thursdays**

P.E. kit should be brought to school in a separate P.E. bag.

Children will need:

- A white t-shirt
- Black trousers or shorts
- A black jumper
- A pair of trainers

Please ensure all P.E. kit and school uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

This term our **Copthorne Curriculum** theme is 'Lady of the Lamp!' As **historians** we will be studying and comparing the lives of significant women in history such as; Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell. As **geographers** we will be studying maps, looking at the journey Florence Nightingale made across the globe. As **artists** we will study and imitate the work of Andy Warhol to create Pop Art through the use of dots, lines and printing. As **scientists** we will be learning about animals and their habitats as well as what they need to survive in different environments. During **PE** we will master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing, and catching, as well as developing balance, agility, and co-ordination.

Throughout all our lessons we will be focusing on children developing their perseverance and collaboration learning muscles.



Homework

- * Spellings- This year children will have weekly spelling tests each **Friday**. Spellings will be handed out on **Friday** so that children have time to learn their spellings ready for their test.
- * Raving Readers- Children are expected to read for **10 minutes** each night with an adult. Please sign their Raving Reader Record next to the book title to ensure your child's reading is recorded on the reward chart. (If your child has not finished the book please record the page number.)
- * Maths and English - homework will be given out weekly on **Friday** and should be returned to school the following **Wednesday**. Children should complete homework in homework books using a pencil and their best presentation unless their homework has been set online.
- * In addition to homework, there will also be tasks set online on the following websites: Mathletics, Active Learn and SPAG.com, for children to complete at home. It is vital for your child to complete these activities as this will further support them with their learning.
- * School finishing times: lessons finish at **3pm**, so children will be brought to the cloakrooms as soon as possible after this time.

Lunchtime

In Year 2 lunchtime is from **11:55am to 12:55pm**. Children who are going home for lunch should be collected and dropped off at these times at the main entrance so that they can be signed in and out of school.



