



Year 2 Newsletter

Copthorne Primary
School

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Welcome Back!



Welcome back to another half term in Year 2!

We would like to thank all the parents and carers who ensure their children arrive at school at 8:40 having had breakfast and ready to learn. We would like to take this opportunity to remind you that **2 Holly** children have PE on a **Monday** and **Thursday** and **2 Elm** have PE on a **Tuesday** and indoor PE on **Friday**. Please ensure that your child comes to school with the correct PE kit, including a black jacket for outdoor PE.

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

Many thanks,

Mr Johnston and Miss Townend



Homework

English and Maths homework will be set every Friday on Mathletics and SPAG.com.

Topic homework will also be set every couple of week.

Spellings will continue to be sent home with the children on a Friday for a test the following week. There are many activities on Spelladrome (through the Mathletics website) to help your child learn these spellings.

Raving reader books will no longer be sent home instead the books can be accessed on Activelearn website. Please continue to listen to your child read and sign the raving read record book daily. Children also need to complete the activities in the back of the raving reader record books.

In **mathematics** this half term, children will be developing their knowledge of division and multiplication. You can support your child's learning by helping them to learn their 2, 5 and 10 times table off by heart and challenge them to remember the division facts. For example, that 45 divided by 5 equals 9. We will be finding fractions of shapes, amounts and numbers and using this skill to reason with. We will also be exploring the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.

In **English lessons** children will be following different types of instructions and using their knowledge of the features to write their own instructions. We will also be writing recounts. Our SPAG focus will be extending our sentences using subordinating conjunctions and adverbs. We will also be comparing the different sentence types.



This term our **Copthorne Curriculum** theme is 'A, is for Africa'. As **geographers** we will be comparing the human and physical features of the U.K and The Gambia. As **artists** we will be taking inspiration from the dots and lines used to apply this in our own work to imitate tradition African art. Towards the end of the half term with will be using our **D.T.** skills to evaluate and make wrapping paper.

As **scientists** we will be investigating materials. We will be sorting and comparing materials by their properties and using this knowledge to solve problems. During indoor **P.E.** we will be developing our gymnastic skills and creating gymnastic routines.

Throughout all our lessons, we will be focusing on developing our 'questioning', 'imagination', 'making links' and 'reasoning' learning muscles.