



Year 2 Newsletter

Copthorne Primary
School

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Welcome Back!



Welcome back and happy New Year! We hope you all had a pleasant holiday. Thank you for making sure all children are arriving on time and ready to learn.

Year 2 will continue to 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.

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
(Year 2 Teachers)



Homework

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

Topic homework will also be set every couple of weeks.

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 Readers can be taken home or be accessed on the 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 understanding of time, direction and position as well place value and calculations. They will also continue to practise their 2, 5 and 10 times tables, and apply this knowledge by solving multiplication and division questions.

In **English lessons** we will be explore classic texts written by Beatrix Potter and children will write their own story featuring animals as the main characters. We will also be learning to write a story that mimics and author (Oliver Jeffers) with an imaginary setting.

As **scientists** we will observe and compare how bulbs and seeds grow into plants. We will also find out and describe, what plants need to stay healthy. During indoor **P.E.** we will be learning about Zumba and using it to improve our balance, agility, co-ordination and dance skills. During outdoor **P.E.** we will developing our batting and bowling skills which we will then apply in a game of cricket against the other class in year 2. Throughout all our lessons, we will be focusing on developing our '*absorption*', '*capitalising*', '*imitation*' and '*empathy and listening*' BLP learning muscles.



This term our new **Copthorne Curriculum** theme is 'I like to Move it, Move it!' (Transportation). As **historians** we will be looking at how transport has changed over time. We will also study the world-renowned Wright Brothers, who are generally credited with inventing, building, and flying the world's first successful airplane. As designers, we will be investigating how wheels, axels and cams have contributed to the design of modern vehicles and use them to create our own methods of transport.