

# Welcome to Year 2!

## This year

Welcome to Year 2! As your child reaches their final year of Key Stage 1, their learning will take a more formal direction to prepare them for the next part of their Castle Hill journey. As well as daily lessons in Reading, English and Maths, children will have opportunities to explore the foundation subjects through our Creative Curriculum. Our topics this year are 'The Jurassic Forest, 'Megastructures' and 'Seaside Rescue'. Each term you will receive a topic web which will show you the main areas of study that we will be covering.

Keep an eye on the Broadcast newsletter for all important dates and announcements!

# Reading



We view Reading as the 'magic key' that unlocks all doors to the rest of the curriculum! As well as decoding words, it is vital that children comprehend what they are reading, so discussing new vocabulary and asking questions about the text will really help to enhance their reading experience. Your child will be given 2 books for the week. These will be changed once a week and should be read several times to help build up confidence and fluency. If you wish to access additional reading materials please make use of the Oxford Owl website, the Community Hub and other books you may have at home.

# PAWS

PAWS will be checked every Monday so children must bring their folders in on this day or ensure a piece has been uploaded to SeeSaw. This allows the children to consolidate their skills at home and build responsibility for their belongings. You do not need to post work on SeeSaw if it has been provided in the folder.

## PE

PE will typically take place on a Thursday this year. The children need shorts, jogging bottoms/leggings, t-shirt, fleece/jacket and trainers (suitable for outdoor activities). They do not need daps for indoor P.E. Whilst PE is timetabled, we may have sporting events on other days of the week, or need to adapt the timetable for other events, so please ensure your child has their PE kit in school every day.



All kit must be clearly labelled for PE, as well as other uniform, water bottles, lunch boxes, book bags, and coats.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns, no matter how small, throughout the year. I am very excited to be working with the children again, and look forward to another exciting and busy year together!

Miss Baldwin