



# Year 2 Newsletter

*We discover and realise the genius in everyone!*



**Joseph Turner**

## Dear Parents and Carers,

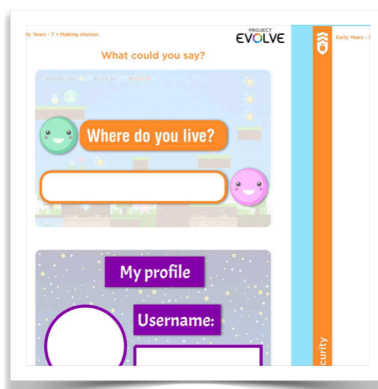
Happy New Year! We hope you have had a restful and enjoyable holiday. We will be delving into some exciting topics this half term and hope that the children will share this fascinating learning with you through discussions at home. Here is all the information you need about what your child will be learning this half term.

If you have any questions at all, please do speak to us at the end of the school day.

*Miss Walker, Miss Ates, Mrs Dalton Hutchinson, Miss Hodgson and Miss Cetinkaya*

### ONLINE SAFETY

Talk to your child about how the Internet can be used to find information- you can use it to find out about pretty much anything! Explain to your child that it can sometimes be dangerous and we need to make sure we know how to stay safe on the Internet.



### IMPORTANT DATES

#### Last Day of term

Friday 9th February

#### New term starts

Monday 19th February

#### Tump 53 Trip

2KW - 15th January

2DH - 16th January

2TA - 29th January

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please make sure your child has a book bag. Your child needs this if they are to take home their reading books and improve their reading. The book bags should be brought in to school every day, even if they haven't finished the books.

Please support your child to bring their P.E kit to school every Monday and leave it in school until Friday.

Please make sure you have children's names written on each item they bring to school so we can find them if they become lost.

## English

In English this half term, we will be looking more closely at a variety of stunning Turner paintings and then using these pictures as a stimulus for our discussions in class and some fantastic descriptive writing.

As well as this, we will be learning how to use adjectives and similes to add more description to our writing to make our writing more interesting and exciting.

Also we will be linking our writing in with our geography learning and we will be listening to and reading poems about weather. Then we will be using these poems as inspiration for writing our own poems.

## Maths

In Maths this half term we are learning about multiplication and division.

For multiplication, we will be looking at groups of objects and finding out how many groups there are and how many objects there are in each group.

For division we will be finding out how to share or group objects equally.

This half term we will be learning the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Please do practise this at home!

### TOPIC FOCUS: TERRIFIC TURNER

This half term we will be learning about Terrific Turner! We will be looking at his famous artwork and finding out lots of fascinating information about him. In Geography, we will be learning all about the four countries that make up Great Britain. We will be exploring the human and physical features found in each country, including major towns and cities. For Science, our learning will focus on what it means to be a living thing. In addition, we will be learning about habitats and why different animals need to live in certain environments.

### HOME LEARNING

We encourage you to read with your child at least 10 minutes every day. Please record the books your child reads in their reading champion book. There are lots of rewards for reading books at home so please do encourage your child to read as much as possible!

Children will be given weekly number facts and spelling homework, which they will then be tested on the following week. The children should become fluent and aim to answer each number fact question in under 5 seconds! They can earn certificates for scoring 40-44 over consecutive weeks.

