



Year 2 Newsletter

We discover and realise the genius in everyone!



World Map

Dear Parents and Carers,

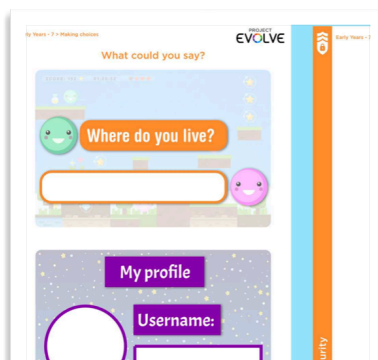
Welcome back after the half term! We hope you have had a restful and enjoyable holiday. We will be delving into some exciting topics this half term and hope that the children will share this fascinating learning with you through discussions at home. Here is all the information you need about what your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

Thursday 28th March

World Book Day

Thursday 7th March

Parents Evening - 2KW, 2TA and 2SC

Wednesday 20th March & Thursday 21st March

Parents Evening - 2DH

Tuesday 19th March & Wednesday 20th March

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 are going to be studying a range of books linked to our topic.

Firstly, we will be reading the book 'Wild'. Feeling inspired by the book, we will be writing character descriptions and our own version of the story.

Afterwards we will be looking at the features of traditional fairytales. In particular, we will be reading Hansel and Gretel and using this text to help us to create our own fairy tales.

Maths

In Maths we will be learning about fractions. We will learn how to find halves, quarters and thirds of shapes by splitting them into equal parts.

We will also find fractions of numbers by making links with division. We will work out halves, quarters and thirds of numbers and even work on finding difficult fractions such as three quarters and two thirds!

Following this, we will be learning about length and volume.

TOPIC FOCUS: MAGICAL MAPPING

This half term our topic is 'Magical Mapping'. We will be looking at the features of maps and how to use them. We will also be sketching our own routes and discussing the positives and negatives of living in rural and urban areas. In Art we will be looking at the work by Andy Goldsworthy and using this to create our own sculptures. In Science our topic is living things and their habitats. We will be looking at the different types of penguins and their adaptations. We will also be learning about herbivores, omnivores and carnivores and their food chains. In computing we will be learning how to use the coding app called 'Scratch Junior'.

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.

