



Reminders:

Please make sure your child always brings a named water bottle.

Book bags need to be brought every day, as reading does not always take place on the same day of the week.

Snacks are limited to fruit, vegetables, bread/toast.

Thank you.

End of KS1

assessments

As you are probably aware, the children complete statutory assessments at the end of Year 2.

Please note we will be having an information evening about what these will entail on **Monday 23 January at 5:30pm**. Please put the date in your diary; we hope to see you there. We will be outlining what the tests will entail and how you can help your child in preparation for these.

Year 2 Newsletter

Spring Term 1

Newsletter Date: Friday 13th January 2017

Welcome

It is difficult to believe we are already half way through January; hopefully it is not too late to wish you all a happy and healthy 2017. All the excitement of our Christmas play and celebrations seems quite distant and we have already enjoyed a super visit to Jodrell Bank to launch this half-term's work. Photos of the visit will be uploaded onto class pages of the website over the next few days. Please keep an eye on this over the course of the half term to keep up to date with what we are doing in school.

Our Learning

In our Learning we have moved onto a cross curricular project largely based on space, which we are calling 'The Moon and Beyond'. This half term we will be learning about:

Science: Materials and their properties

DT: Moving mechanisms

History: History of space travel and the moon landing

ICT: Programming

Maths: Measures and graphs

English: Using a greater range of sentence types and structures; evaluating and improving writing; developing comprehension skills.

PE

PE this term will include Games led by specialist teachers. These will take place on Monday.

Each class will have a second PE lesson per week on Wednesday. Mrs Kirk's class will continue with Dance for this session.

Please make sure the children have their PE kits in school. Children with pierced ears should either remove earrings or cover them with tape,

Homework:

Spelling: half termly high frequency words and weekly spellings. If your child is given additional spellings, please work on these too, as spelling forms an important part of the end of year assessments which we are beginning to work towards.

Reading: A minimum of 3 times per week to be recorded in the reading record, please. Please take time to ask questions and discuss the story—comprehension is a big focus for us this term.

English: This will be based on the grammar and punctuation we need to cover. Children need to become familiar with the 'technical' vocabulary for sentence types, punctuation and word groups.

Maths: Tasks to secure calculation and number recall. We will be tracking knowledge of times tables (2, 5 and 10 multiplication and division facts)