



St Philip Westbrook News

Year 2 Newsletter: Friday 10th November 2017

Autumn 2

Cold Weather, Warm clothes

Please make sure your child has suitable outdoor clothing including a warm coat, hat, gloves and scarf.

Reading

Please keep up home reading as regular practice is so important for the children's progress.

Healthy Snacks

Free fruit continues to be available in Y2, but children may bring in fresh fruit/vegetables or plain bread/toast if you prefer.

Welcome Back!

We hope you had a restful and refreshing Autumn break and feel ready to embrace the fun (and the challenges!) that await as Christmas approaches. In school, we are really proud of the way the children have returned to Year Two, with energy and enthusiasm ready for the busy weeks ahead.

Our Learning

This half term's project is called 'Landmarks of Liverpool'. It will give us opportunity to learn a little about our closest city and how this compares to our local community here in Westbrook. We are really pleased to be visiting Liverpool's Anglican Cathedral as well as the Waterfront and the Museum of Liverpool. The city will be familiar to some of us and a new experience for others and the children will have

opportunity to reflect on their own personal responses to these places.

Curriculum coverage

Geography: An introduction to geographical features

History: National events— the Gunpowder Plot and Remembrance Day

Science: The properties of materials—describing, sorting and investigating

DT: Joining materials to make models

Art: The use of shape and colour

ICT: E safety; simple programming

Maths: Securing use of the four operations—addition, subtraction, multiplication and division

English: Non fiction writing, poetry, story making

Spelling: Suffixes (word endings)

RE: Good News; The Journey to Bethlehem

PE: Handball; gymnastics

Christmas Play

Year 2 will be performing a play for parents and family. Your child will be bringing home a note to let you know about their role and costume requirements. If your child has lines to learn, it is a really big help if you can practise these at home so we are confident in rehearsals! Any problems with costumes, please have a word with your child's class teacher.

Tuesday 12th December (pm)

Wednesday 13th December (am)

Y2 Spellings

Spelling is a large part of our curriculum in Year 2 and there is a lot to cover. Spelling homework will always be linked to our lessons for the following week. Key questions to help with spelling:

Does it look right/sound right?

Are there any rules to help?

What is tricky about the word?

Don't forget to check our website for key events, dates, useful websites and photographs of our learning.