

### Morning routines

Please continue to encourage your child to be independent when they come into school, putting their coat on their peg, their book bag in the box and their water bottle on the side.

Morning activities will continue on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. We welcome parents to assist children with both the Literacy/Numeracy tasks provided. Due to the early start of assemblies on Monday and Wednesday there will not be an organised activity. Pupils are encouraged to independently read at their tables or select a book of their choice from the class library.

### Homework

In preparation for the end of Key Stage One assessments, additional practice materials will be sent home. These will include worksheets for Literacy and Maths. Some work will be differentiated to focus on the various needs of individuals.

To re-iterate, there is no expectation for the children to complete any additional activities sent home. We celebrate any work that the children complete at home and bring in; set by school or independently carried out.

### Reading

Your child's book from the coloured bands was checked before the Easter holiday. Please help your child to change their book in the Infant library. There is a box in the library for returned books. Follow the colours which are used to identify the books that are at the appropriate level to your child's reading. We do ask that you listen to your child read as often as possible and discuss what they read.

Please write in the reading record. Your child takes part in weekly guided reading sessions in class and we complete our own records of these.

### Forest School

Forest School will continue to run on a Wednesday afternoon with Mrs Carr. Please ensure that your child brings to school suitable clothing for outdoor work including wellington boots.

### Show and Tell

We embrace sharing time within class but due to time restraints this term, we cannot guarantee that all items brought in to school will be able to be shared on the same day.

## Year 2

Miss Nelson & Mrs Shaw

### Phonics:

The children continue to have their daily phonics lessons taught through the scheme 'Letters and Sounds'.



### End of Key Stage One Assessments

We will be carrying out the End of Key Stage One assessments during the month of May. As we have discussed at the parent evenings, these are not to be worried about. We will continue to prepare the children for these over the next few weeks alongside the new topic.

### Parent helpers

We are always grateful for parent (and grandparent!) helpers in school and some of our activities will not be able to go ahead without your help. Please let us know if you could help with reading at any time.

If you have any other interests or activities you could help with (e.g. if you enjoy gardening or art) please let us know! Thank you.

### PE

PE will now be on a Wednesday and Friday. Please could your child wear their kit to school on a Wednesday to avoid too many uniform changes due to Forest school being in the afternoon as well. They need to have a white t-shirt and navy shorts/jogging bottoms for PE, as well as trainers. Long hair is to be tied back.

## Topic Overview Year 2 - Pirates

<b>Classroom Environment</b>	✓ Pirate interactive display and books	<b>Educational Visits</b>	✓ Library visit to take out books
<b>Key Texts</b>	✓ Non-fiction and fiction books about Pirates	<b>Home links - activities parents can do to support the topic.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Reading together <b>daily</b></li> <li>✓ Talking about what we read- use questions</li> <li>✓ Practising spellings</li> </ul>
<b>English</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Diary writing</li> <li>✓ Fact File writing</li> <li>✓ Re-telling stories from The New Testament</li> </ul>	<b>Maths</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Fractions</li> <li>✓ Money</li> <li>✓ Shape</li> <li>✓ Collecting and presenting data and discussing findings</li> <li>✓ Describing position and direction</li> <li>✓ Strategies for calculating and solving problems</li> </ul>
<b>Physical Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Athletics</li> <li>✓ Multi-skills</li> </ul>	<b>Science</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Structure of the body</li> <li>✓ Animals, including Humans</li> <li>✓ Food hygiene</li> <li>✓ Science investigations</li> </ul>
<b>Music</b>	✓ Whole school singing	<b>Art and design</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Clay work- designing and making treasure</li> <li>✓ Looking at the work of Turner and seascapes</li> </ul>
<b>Geography</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ UK map- locating places</li> <li>✓ Oceans and continents</li> </ul>	<b>Computing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Chrome book research on Pirates</li> <li>✓ Data handling</li> </ul>
<b>RE</b>	✓ Stories from the New Testament	<b>Outdoor Learning</b>	✓ Measuring
<b>PSHE</b>	✓ SEAL activities	<b>History</b>	✓ Famous Pirates