

# **Year 2 Newsletter**



# Autumn 2—2024/2025

#### **Notices and Reminders**

We wear winter uniform after half term:

- White polo shirt
- Bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan
- Grey school trousers, skirt, shorts or pinafore
- Grey, white or black socks / grey, black or bottle green tights
- Black, flat, sensible shoes

For further information, please visit:

https://www.sandringham.kite.academy/parent s/uniform/

#### Reading

This term the children will be reading 'The Secret Garden' by Frances Hodgson Burnett.

They will be focusing on reading with fluency and understanding vocabulary.

The class reads will be 'Oliver Twist' by Charles Dickens and 'The Dark' by Lemony Snicket.







# Key Dates

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November – term begins Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Y2 Rabbits parent lunch

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need (wear something spotty/mufti)

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Y2 Foxes parent lunch

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December – PTA Christmas fayre (wear Christmas jumpers/mufti)
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December – iRock concert in the hall (2:30pm)

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December – PTA Christmas raffle draw

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December – sponsored reindeer run for Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December – YR nativity performance at Frimley Baptist Church (9am)
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December – YR nativity performance at Frimley Baptist Church (9am)
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas dinner day (wear Christmas jumpers/mufti)
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – end of term (1:10pm collection)

# **Writing**

In writing this half term, the children will immerse themselves in a warning tale through orally retelling the story. They will then use their deep knowledge of the story structure to create their own version of Kassim and the Dragon. Once complete, the following text will be an

instructional text: How to Trap a Dragon. Throughout the cycle, the children will be exposed to a range of skills that will help them develop their writing.



# **Maths**

The children will continue to master addition and subtraction skills. They will learn to add and subtract across a multiple of ten and solve problems with two-digit numbers. They will then learn about shape which will include investigating 2D and 3D shapes including vertices, sides, faces, edges, patterns and symmetry.

#### Science

This half term the children will learn why exercise and hygiene are important for our bodies. They will then learn how they can conserve energy at home and at school, focusing on their research skills. They will also be looking at renewable and non-renewable resources and how they can conserve materials.

#### **History**

This half term the children will continue learning about the Victorian Era, focusing on what life was like for children. They will also have the opportunity to compare their own lives with the living conditions of children during Victorian Era and how life was different for the rich and poor.

#### <u>DT</u>

In DT this half term, the children will be learning how to make a stable structure by building a chair that will be suitable for Baby Bear. They will be learning about the key features of a stable structure, as well as how to construct, test and evaluate it.

#### PE

This half term the focus in PE changes to dance! The children will be experimenting with moving at different speeds and different levels using our body in a range of challenging ways. They will then begin to put together a complete routine based on the children learning to move like toys.

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## **Computing**

This half term the children will learn what a photo is and how to take a great photograph. The children will find out the difference between a photograph and a digital image, as well as how photographs and digital images can be stored. Finally, they will explore taking their own photographs, looking at composition, light and how to edit photographs to make them even better.

#### **PSHE**

This half term the children will learn the characteristics that contribute to positive and healthy friendships, including kindness, trust, and respect. They will explore good ways of making friends and finally, how to befriend someone who may be feeling lonely or shy.



## **Homework**

Please ensure that your child uses Times Table Rockstars to practise their number facts at least five times per week. Thank you for all of your support with helping your child to read at home. Please make sure that they read their reading book at least four times a week. We ask that these books are brought back into school every Friday to be changed.

## Suggested books for reading



