<u>Class 2</u>

Spring 1 Learning Letter January 2025

Dear Parents and carers,

Happy new year! I hope that like me you have all enjoyed a well deserved break with your family over Christmas. We have an exciting term ahead in class 2 and I am looking forward to getting started.

If you have any questions throughout this half term, please do not hesitate to email me through school. This letter includes key information, dates and homework for the term.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Giles

Day to day routine

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>Swimming:</u> We will swim at Nidderdale High School, Need swimming things in school.		<u>PE</u> Full kit should be in school for PE in the afternoon.		<u>Celebration</u> <u>Assembly</u> Every 3 weeks, please check the newsletter for dates.

Children should have water bottles in school. A healthy snack for break time is also recommended. Bottles need to go home to be cleaned over the weekend.



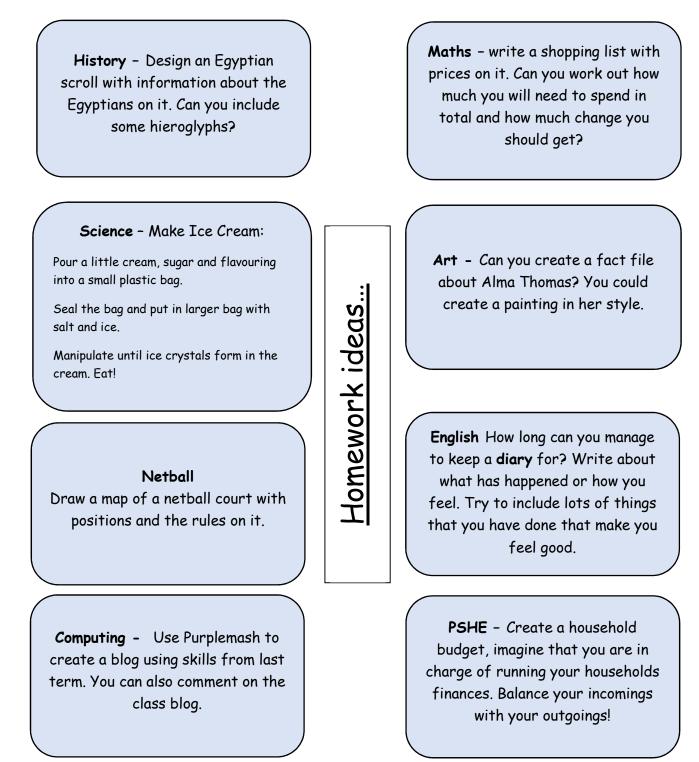
Homework

We really appreciate the time taken to support your child at home and can see the difference it makes to your child's progress.

Children should aim to complete the below weekly:

- Reading daily (please ensure reading records are signed weekly) When reading with your child, please discuss any new vocabulary they encounter and encourage them to use it in different contexts thus building on their existing knowledge.
- Statutory spellings Please learn the Spring 1 words.
- Times Table Rockstars and Spelling shed. These make a tremendous difference to the children's progress and the more they can do the better. Several short sessions are more effective than one longer one.

Below, there is additional topic-based homework that can be completed over the half term to deepen and extend knowledge learned in school. This needs to be handed in / emailed to admin or submitted on See-Saw by <u>Monday 3rd February</u>. This will enable us to share the children's wonderful work at the end of the half term.



I am very excited to see your projects! These are just some suggestions, feel free to come up with your own ideas. Be as creative as you can.

If you have any issues/queries or need support with resources, just get in touch.

Learning this half term

<u>Art</u>

<u>Alma Thomas</u>

We will be looking at the work of artist Alma Thomas. We will create sea creature inspired works to display in a federation wide art exhibition in Ripley castle.

<u>Music</u>

Pentatonic melodies and composition

(Chinese New Year dragon dance)

<u>Science</u>

States of Matter

The children will be looking at how materials change state through evaporating / condensing and melting / freezing. This leads to investigating the water cycle and the impact of rising global temperatures.

R.E: Why do people pray?

In R.E, we will be learning what happens in Islamic Prayer and comparing this to Christian prayer.

<u>History</u>

Ancient Egyptians

The children will be learning about the Egyptians; where did they live? What did they believe? Why and how did the Egyptians mummify people?

Mathematics

Multiplication and division and then geometry.

Computing

Spreadsheets

The children will learn how to enter data into spreadsheets, write formulae to use data and create a computational model.

<u>PSHE</u>

Economic Wellbeing

We will look at money: earning it, keeping track of it and looking after it. What influences job choices?

<u>P.E</u>

Netball & Swimming

We will swim on Mondays at Nidderdale High school, on Wednesdays we will learn how to play Netball.

<u>English</u>

In English we will use the book Wild Robot to inform the writing of non-chronological reports, a diary and an explanation text.