

# Class 2

## Spring 2 Learning Letter February 2025

Dear Parents and carers,

I hope that you all managed to have some happy moments with your children over half term.

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

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### Day to day routine

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

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 **Monday 31st March**. This will enable us to share the children's wonderful work at the end of the half term.

**History** - Design an Egyptian scroll with information about the Egyptians on it. Can you include some hieroglyphs?

**Maths** - work out some fractions for your family and present them as a fact file. What fraction are children, female, pets? What fraction of rooms in your house are kitchens or bedrooms etc.?

**Science** - Experiment:

How far away can you hear different sounds? Walk away from various sounds and record how far you can get before you can't hear them any more. Was the furthest the one you expected? What is happening that allows you to hear this one?

Homework ideas...

**DT** - Can you create a fact file about racing cars? What do you know about their design and why they are made like that?

**Basketball**

Draw a map of a basketball court with positions and the rules on it.

**English** How long can you manage to keep a **diary** for? Write about what has happened or how you feel. Try to include lots of things that you have done that make you feel good.

**Computing** - Use Purplemash to create a blog using skills from Autumn term. You can also comment on the class blog.

**PSHE** - Create a poster welcoming someone to Britain. Outline all of the qualities that you think they will need to be good British Citizens.

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.

Mr. Giles

# Learning this half term

## Design and Technology

### Making a slingshot car

We will be designing and then building our own slingshot cars. The designs will focus on stability, strength and function.

## Music

### Jazz

An exploration of jazz.

## Science

### Energy - sound and vibration

The children will be looking at how sound is made through vibration, what makes sound louder or quieter and how we can insulate against sound.

## Computing

### Writing

The children will learn how to write different types of text for different audiences.

## R.E: Why do people pray?

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

## PSHE

### Citizenship?

What does being a good citizen look like?

## Geography

### Are all settlements the same?

We will look at different types of settlements and what features define them.

## P.E

### Basketball & Swimming

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

## Mathematics

We are beginning to look at fractions. There will also be a focus on timestables.

## English

In English we will use illustrated work, videos, poems as well as written prose to inform our writing of a newspaper report, a narrative and a setting description.