



## Class Newsletter

Year 2

Summer 2023

Welcome back to the summer term! I hope you had a wonderful Easter holiday.



### Homework

**As part of preparation for end of year assessments, it is more important than ever that homework is completed regularly. Homework will be a reading, writing or maths task and should usually take no more than 30 minutes to complete.**

Homework should be completed online by 5pm on Sunday or brought into school as a paper copy **by** Monday morning (please send it in as soon as it is ready). New homework will be set on Monday afternoon. If you have any questions about homework please try to ask them before the weekend.

Please encourage your child to consider the handwriting and presentation of their homework as we are aiming for all children to be joining neatly by the end of the year.

We will also continue with the weekly fluency passage which the children very much enjoy performing during Thursday's assembly. Most children will bring home their phonics workbook which they have completed during the week, please share this with them.

### Take-away homework

Some of the children completed some lovely take-away homework last term. Our takeaway homework this term is linked to our new Curriculum topic 'Up, Up and Around'. This includes the history of Kenley Aerodrome and the geography of Warlingham Village.

### Reading books

Reading books will be changed by Miss Simpson on the children's regular day. Please fill in your child's reading record with any comment you think is appropriate each time they read to you. **Books will only be changed if there is an entry in the record book.** I know some children have books at home they prefer to read, and that is fine, but please note them down in the record book too. Many children have recently moved up a colour and regular reading at home really does make a difference, **comments in the reading records can also be used as evidence for end of year assessments.**



## English

*This term we will continue to focus on:*

**Reading skills**, in particular answering a range of written comprehension questions independently and making connections between different books.

**Writing** (a focus on narrative writing), with particular focus on descriptive language, punctuation, sentence structure and grammar.

**Handwriting** in a joined style with correctly orientated and formed lower case and upper case letters.

*Many children have started to join their letters and children should always be encouraged to use their best handwriting when completing written tasks at home.*



## Maths

*In Maths this term, we will be developing further our understanding of addition and subtraction. We will also cover shape, fractions, measurement, position and movement, time and money.*

*We look forward to our open afternoon when we will show parents a Mastering Number session.*



*Please ensure your child is at school on time so that they do not miss the first few minutes of maths lessons which begin at 8.55am.*

## Discovery Curriculum

*This term our topic is 'Up, Up and Around'. This is a new topic which includes the history of Kenley Aerodrome and the geography of our local area.*



*Our Discovery Curriculum has a cross-curricular approach to teaching and learning, taking account of what the children know and would like to know. At the end of the topic, we will complete a 'Champion Challenge', where the children will use all the skills that they have learnt to complete a group challenge.*

## PE

*PE will continue to be on **Wednesdays**, so children should wear their PE kit into school on that day. Please ensure any sweatshirts are clearly labelled to avoid loss. Earrings should not be worn on this day and long hair should be tied back.*

**A SATS meeting for parents will be held this term—details to follow.**

*Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. If you have any questions or problems, then please do not hesitate to contact us. We are available to speak to parents after school, or if this is not convenient, then please phone and leave a message with the office.*

**Mrs Vincent & Mrs Gibbs**