# Year 2 - Autumn Term



Dear parents/ carers,

Hello and welcome back after what has hopefully been a restful summer holiday for you all. Please find below some information about this term.

<u>Maths</u>: We will be starting off the term with addition and subtraction, gradually building up to adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers. We will also cover shape and money.

**English:** In English, we are writing stories and diaries linked to Traction Man and his heroics. We will be starting to develop our writing stamina by writing longer pieces of work.

<u>Science</u>: In science, we will be looking at materials and which materials are more suitable for building specific items. This will link closely with our Traction Man Topic!

<u>Art</u>: We will be creating our very own Superhero Art based on the style Roy Lichtenstein! This will allow the pupils to really showcase their creativity! <u>Music</u>: The pupils will be learning all about beats and rhythms and looking at music from Africa!

#### **Design Technology:**

We will be designing and creating a (miniature) school this term using skills such as cutting and securing.

**R.E/ P.S.H.C.E.** – Our first PSHE topic is all about Being Me in My World. How are we good citizens in our communities? In RE, we are studying Islam and then will learn about why Christmas is so important to Christians.

**P.E:** We will begin by studying yoga in year 2 before moving onto ball skills. This will help us develop our flexibility and strength before moving onto building key skills for sports. PE will be on a **Thursday** to begin with so please bring PE kits in on this day.

**Forest School:** We will begin forest school shortly and will notify you in advance of the dates and what the children need to bring into school. **Computing:** Units are information around us and digital photography.

**Spanish:** The children will be learning some more Spanish basics such as greetings, fruits and numbers.

### Reading Books

Pupils will be sent home with 2 books, one appropriate for their reading ability and phonics phase and another book which may have grabbed their interest. These will be changed every Monday. Children will progress through the reading book bands throughout the year when we assess that they are ready for the next stage. **Reading can be supported by asking children questions about what they have read and getting them to predict what might happen next. They may even draw part of the book or research about something they have read.** 

Please ensure reading books and planners are in school on a daily basis. The reading records can be used for comments on reading and any other messages for class teachers. If you have written a note, then please ask your child to show it to the teacher as books will not be checked every day. That said, reading records will be signed on a weekly basis when your child reads with an adult and please can you sign them as well. **Pupils in year 2 are expected to read regularly at** 

home and this should be with an adult.

## <u>Homework</u>

Weekly homework will include 10 spellings with the expectation that pupils use 4 of these words in sentences. A maths task will also be sent home. These should be short activities so if it's taking longer to complete, break it up and do a little bit every day. For example, you might choose to learn 2 spellings a day. Further instructions will come out with homework in due course.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Please also look out for our class page at http://www.escrickprimaryschool.co.uk/ for updates on what we do in year 2

