

Reading Books.

Children have started to take home reader books home. Please read with your child and comment in their reading records. Books will be changed on Mondays and Thursdays if the book has been read and signed.

PE

Ibn Abass -Wednesday AM

Ibn Zayd - Monday AM

Bint Abee Bakr - Tuesday AM

Please ensure all clothing and uniform is clearly labelled.

Homework

Homework is given to build upon the mathematical strategies and writing techniques pupils have been practicing in class. It is crucial that you spend time with your child helping to consolidate them. This will boost your child's confidence in class and reinforce their learning.

Parents' Workshop

Wednesday, 11th October 2017, 5:30-6:30pm

Please come along and find out about the Year 2 curriculum and key assessments in Year 2.



Olive School

Year 2 Newsletter

Autumn 2017



'What makes me unique?'

This half term, our topic is 'What Makes Me Unique?'

The children will be learning about the following:

- **Literacy** - We have started the term by looking at 'Stories with a Familiar Setting' (The Tiger who came to tea). We will move on to studying instruction writing (Recipes) and poetry (Autumn).
- **Numeracy** - So far this half term we have focused on adding and subtracting numbers up to 40. In the coming weeks we will be working on multiplication and division.
- **Science** - Our Science unit for this term is 'Materials'. In this unit we will be studying the materials we use to make things around the world, from normal everyday objects like spoons and pencils to giant ships and aeroplanes
- **Computing** - We will be working on the unit 'We are Photographers'. Here will explore how to use cameras and take photos of a variety of spaces and objects. Our main objective is to photograph our lovely school building and then upload the images on to a webpage.
- **Art** - In visual arts we are exploring the primary colour wheel and the secondary colour wheel. We will be learning to incorporate different shades and tones into Monet inspired pieces.
- **RE** - Our first unit is 'Nobody's fault'. In this unit we will learn about natural disasters such as earthquakes, tsunamis and flooding. We will be learning about how the actions we take and the aid we provide can help to alleviate the stresses of those who are affected by natural disasters.

What you can do to help.

- **Literacy** - Please spend time reading texts from the genres they will be covering this term and explore the language used within the texts. Ask your child questions about the layout of the text and why it has been written the way that it has. Reading with your child for ten minutes will help to improve his/her written and verbal skills within class.
- **Numeracy** - Please encourage your child to add and subtract sets of objects adding up to 40. Encourage them to handle and use money (up to 50p/£1) so that they can use their addition and subtraction skills independently.
- **Science** - Speak to your child about what materials objects are made from and why that specific material has been used. Encourage your child to explore and experiment making everyday items with different materials e.g. a paper hat, bubble wrap socks. This will help them to explore the qualities and characteristics of different materials.
- **Computing** - show you child your camera and how to take a good photograph. Talk about good lighting and how to frame the picture.

Have you got any questions?

You are welcome to ask the teachers questions about your child and how they are settling into Year 2. However, the teachers can only see you when all the children have been picked up from school. If you would like to talk to your child's teacher you will need to wait until all children have been dismissed or call the office to arrange an appointment.