



## Summer Term 2 Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Final stretch - we have worked really hard to learn lots of new and exciting things, completed our SATs and become even better friends. This final half term we will be making sure we soak up any last memories in Y2, finish learning all we need to learn so we are Y3 ready. Well done to all the pupils who have all done us proud.

**Maths** – We will be consolidating what we learned in 3D Shapes, fractions, and time and we will be learning more about data handling. We will be spending time making sure we are fluent in number facts to ensure we are successful mathematicians who can apply these facts to solve trickier problems. Remember to access TT Rockstars so your child can master the times tables.

**Reading** – In school we will be continuing to develop our reading skills. We will be finishing reading 'The Dragon in the Library' before moving on to reading biographies. We are also going to be looking at traditional tales to help us in our writing. VIPERS - our reading comprehension approach means we are able to look at the discrete skills (Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval and Sequencing). Reading continues to be a priority at Firbeck and we ask that you support us with this by reading at home at least 5 times a week. If you read with your child 5 times a week from the start of Reception to the end of their time in KS1, your child will have read over a 1000 times.

**Writing** – This term we will be working on a narrative piece based on a traditional fairy tale. We will be working on a 'warning story' where, as authors, they will take their main character on a journey and uncover a moral to the story on the way (so to speak!). We will also write a recount of these events from one of the character's perspectives building on prior learning from the previous terms.

**Geography** – This term we will become explorers of our world, looking and discovering what it is like to live in different areas of the world. We will look at climates and habitats around the world. We will make comparisons from the places we explore to where we live. We will need to know our local geography in order to make a good clear comparison.

**DT** – This half term we are going to be designing, making and reviewing some interesting projects. Most excitingly, everything we make will be made using recycling. It is important to us, as responsible and respectful citizens, we look after the planet we live in. As reflective learners, we will be looking at how we have made them and how we could make it better.

**PE** – We have 2 PE sessions a week and they will be outdoors, weather permitting. Please ensure your child has the correct kit.

**Science** – During this half term, we will be looking at life cycles. We will be building on previous learning from Y1 and the Early Years which has looked at life cycles of a frog.

**RE** – We will learn about religious stories. We are looking forward to finding similarities between them and finding the moral they are all trying to communicate.

**PSHE** – We will be covering SRE this half term. We are passionate in every pupil being safe and one of the motivations behind our SRE curriculum is to ensure that all pupils know what both male and female body parts are called. We want to give our pupils all the necessary tools to make them independent young people who are able to make informed decisions and keep themselves safe.

Thank you for all your support. Please contact me if you have any questions or queries regarding your child's learning.

Best wishes,

Mrs Bayliss and the Y2 team