Swingate Primary School

Year 2 Newsletter ~ Term 2

November 2026

Mrs Richards, Miss Olowu and Mrs Pennington are so excited to welcome you back to term 2; we hope you had a lovely break and are ready for all that term 2 has in store. We are super proud of how the children came back in term 1 and looking forward to another fun packed term. We are looking forward to the build-up to festive activities this term! 😊

Spelling Last term, your child's teacher sent home their final spelling test so that you are aware of their achievements as well as what they need to continue to practise. The new spelling list should be their contact book. Please ask their teacher if you are unable to locate this. Like last term, they have the whole term to learn them and the date of the next test will be on the spelling sticker. The spellings are Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words. Some of these are also on Sir Linkalot which we know the children love to use. We will be learning these spellings in class but please also support your child to learn their spellings at home. Repetition is the best way to learn! If you would like some ideas on ways in which they can practise, please ask their teacher.

English We will be writing narratives and a persuasive letter and developing our spelling using our phonics. We will also be concentrating on making sure we write cohesively whilst building our stamina in writing. Handwriting is still a big focus in year 2, if you would like to help your child at home http://www.teachhandwriting.co.uk/continuous-cursive-letters-beginners.html is a very good website to help you.



Maths We will be adding and subtracting numbers within 100 using pictorial methods, please ask us if you need any guidance with helping your child at home. The children are able to practise key maths skills which are vital to their progression in year 2 by logging into and playing Numbots at home. The children's login details are stuck into your child's Reading Record books. Our Rocking Recall target this term is to recall multiplication and division facts for the two times table so any extra practise on this will be greatly appreciated.

Geography This term, will be learning about the Coast of Kent and how it is used by tourists. Children will gather their own data on the human features in a specific coastal town.

Science In Science we are going to find out about microhabitats. Children will ask questions about minibeasts and use scientific enquiry to find answers.

P.E Please ensure that your child wears their PE kit to school on their PE days. Please remove all jewellery on PE days as staff are not authorised to take out earrings for children. **Year 2's PE day is Thursday.** Please ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.



Reading is a key life skill and only improves with practice, practice and more practice! It is such a special time to share stories with your child so please hear them read out loud every day if possible. Your child has the opportunity to change their reading book on a daily basis. Their reading books and contact books need to be placed in the book box in the classroom everyday so they can be changed. Please encourage your child to bring their books back in so they can be changed frequently. If your does not read four times in a week at home and have their reading record signed, they will read in class during Friday break time. We will be visiting the school library once a week for the children to have the opportunity to take a book home to share with you. This will need to be returned once finished for a new book to be issued.

Snacks Healthy snacks of fruit and vegetables are provided for the children. However, please feel free to send your child in with an alternative healthy snack, such as, fruit, vegetables, yogurt, cheese or cereal bars. The children will eat their snacks in the classroom prior to going onto the playground. Please ensure snacks are in a pot your child is able to open.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Richards, Miss Olowu and Mrs Pennington

Dates: 6th November- Class Photos,
13th November- Flu Vaccines, 13th November- Children in Need Day,
16th November- Odd socks Day
8th December- Year 2 Christmas singalong
18th December- Last Day of Term