

Welcome to our class newsletter for this half term. We are excited to share with you our learning journey.

SDG 8 Decent Work and Economic Growth

We will be learning about sustainable economic growth, productive employment and decent work for all.

In English...

We will be learning to write for different purposes and exploring a CLPE picture book. We will develop our application of conjunctions, varied punctuation and tenses to add coherence to our writing.

In Maths...

We will be learning how to tell the time and exploring weight, volume and temperature. We will also be working on efficient methods for word problems and reasoning questions for all four operations.

In Science...

We will be learning about the uses and properties of everyday materials. We will be testing the suitability of different materials for a purpose and experimenting their adaptability.

In History...

We will learning about how and why Buckden High Street has changed over time and compare employment from the past and the present.

In Art...

We will be exploring the work of different artists and creating a Lowry-style painting.

In PE...

We will be focusing on techniques in athletics- ready for sports day!

In Online Safety...

We will be learning about respectful uses of technology and simple guidance to support technology use.

In RE...

We will be learning about Judaism and the importance of The Torah within the Jewish community.

In Computing...

We will be learning how to recreate a range of artwork on purple mash.

In French...

We will be learning how to say different mini beasts.

In Geography...

We will be learning about how and why settlements change over time. We will comparing High Streets and focusing on employment opportunities in different areas.

In DT...

We will be researching, designing, making and evaluating our very own biscuits!

In Music...

We will be learning experimenting with different instruments, composing music to go alongside a Charlie Chaplin film.

In PSICHE...

We will be learning about personal safety, relationships and managing change.

Homework

As we push towards the final stretch of Year 2, children are continuing to be expected to complete a number of learning tasks at home to support and consolidate what they are learning in school.

READING

We are pushing reading as it is so important to develop those fluency and comprehension skills that are expected by the end of KS1.

We expect to see that children have read AT LEAST three times a week with an adult at home on Boom Reader, this can be their home reading book, a free choice book or any other literature that they have at home - non-fiction texts are just as beneficial to support reading and comprehension development.

Boom Reader will be monitored weekly and we will be following up with those who are not completing our expected weekly reading.

Children will now be responsible for changing their own reading books, please remind them of this and we will encourage them to do so when in school.

MATHS

Children should be accessing Doodle for ten minutes, three times a week, as well as completing the assignment set on a Friday.

Children are also free to enjoy Purple Mash online using their logins - there are lots of Educational games to play. Please ask if you have not received a login or have forgotten their login details.

SPELLINGS

The children undertake daily spelling sessions using our Jungle Club spelling scheme, and our spelling rules each week will correspond to what we are learning about in school. Please make sure you practise these daily ready for a spelling test each Monday.

WRITING

As the children become more independent in their writing, we love to see what they create at home - stories, poems, playscripts, anything creative - we love to share!

We are really trying to build on the children's stamina to showcase their writing - any opportunities to write at home for different purposes, using sound and word mats to support them in their spelling will help to develop this hugely. Please ask if you would like a copy of the sound/word mats.

Handwriting continues to be a big focus for us in Year 2, we are continuing to encourage the cursive script and we would ask that you continue to encourage your children to practise this at home too so that they can apply it to their independent writing at school.

Other News:

Our PE days are Mondays and Thursdays.

Please ensure your child has a change of clothes and shoes in case it rains on a PE day. These should now be kept in school and only taken home to be washed. Please bring a warm jumper and sun hat as we will continue whatever the weather.

Important

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle, a sun hat, sun cream and a waterproof coat to school every day.

If you need to contact the Year 2 team, please email year2@bpa.act-academytrust.org