



## Spring Term Newsletter

### Year 2

#### Marigold & Buttercup

##### The Year 2 Week – things to remember

**Monday:** PE with Class Teacher – trainers or plimsoles

**Wednesday:** Full PE kit (come to school); reading books and homework to be returned to school

**Friday:** Reading books and home work to go home

##### Curriculum

Please see the attached Topic Map for an overview of this term's curriculum. Please come and ask if you have any questions.



##### Trips

This term we will be going to the Railway Fields on Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February.

We will be back in time for school lunch so no need for packed lunches.

##### PE Kit

Children are to wear their correct PE kit to school on their PE days with Mr Oakley - this is a plain house coloured t-shirt, black shorts or leggings/tracksuit bottoms and black trainers. Black fleece/sweatshirt for the winter.

##### Home Learning

Reading books: reading at home is so important to further develop your child's love of reading. We will issue a new reading book every Friday. Please return on Wednesday. Children will bring home a levelled book based on the level they are reading in school. They will also be able to choose a free choice from the Class Library. We expect the children to read for at least 15 minutes at home daily. Please comment in their reading record books so that we know that the children have read at home.

Spelling practice: the children must practice their spelling words that are supplied in their books at home. Spelling tests are on Fridays.

Mathematics homework: Maths is occasionally provided in the homework books, though tasks are set weekly on 'my maths' which you can hopefully access at home. Login details have been provided in homework books last term.

English homework is always provided in homework books to assist children's learning of grammar, punctuation and sentence writing.

Any additional practice you can do at home with your children will always benefit them at school. Particularly as we begin money and multiplication this half term, practice at home will be crucial in helping them get the most out of their learning at school. Thank you in advance!

### Attendance and Punctuality

It is really important that your child arrives at school promptly every day to help them settle in to their learning routines. It is also important to be collected promptly.

**GATE OPENS: 8:50am      START OF THE DAY: 9:00am      END OF THE DAY: 3:30pm**

Attendance is compulsory for all children. Regular contact and communication to our office about illness, medical appointments and absence is crucial.

Please contact the School Office if you have any questions.

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### Key Dates

Please find below some of the key dates for the upcoming term.

Please make sure you look out for regular newsletters and any communication from the admin team about future events as they are scheduled.

- Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January – children return to school
- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – children break up for half term. See below for times:  
***Rectory Gardens: 1:45pm Church Lane: 2:00pm***
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February – Half Term.
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – children return to school
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Parent Consultations
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – children break up for Easter Holidays

\*You can find the above dates and more on our calendar [here](#)

### General Reminders

- PLEASE NAME all sweaters, coats, gloves, hats, plimsolls etc. We regularly end up with bundles of unnamed uniform or sports clothes, which are piling up in the lost property container.
- Children are given a healthy snack at morning play time, however, if you want to send in your own, please do.
- Please send a named water bottle into school daily.
- We would like to remind parents that the school has a no jewellery policy, and earrings should be studs only, please. Nail polish is not allowed.
- If your child has long hair, please make sure it is tied back.
- Please also ensure that your child wears black shoes to school. If trainers, these must be completely black with no bright logos, flashing details or coloured laces/soles.
- We are a strictly nut-free school; please remember this for packed lunches and party/birthday treats.
- We are strictly a latex-free school, i.e. no latex materials including balloons, rubber bands, latex gloves etc.
- Please keep up to date with news on our website [here](#).

If there is anything that you would like to talk to us about, please do contact the School Office, and we can phone you or make an appointment - we really value close communication with you.

***Mrs Vidic & Miss Carroll***

***Year 2 Team***