

Dear Parents,

This is what we will be covering this half-term in Year 2:

Maths

- knowing number bonds to 20 (e.g 2+18, 3+17)
- reading and writing numbers correctly up to 100 (e.g 14 and 41)
- place value (e.g the difference between tens and ones)
- greater than and less than (understanding the symbols)
- add and subtract one and two digit numbers (e.g 23+5) also, add/subtract a number from a multiple of 10
- counting in 2s, 5s and 10s
- doubles and halves to 20
- knowing the 2, 5 and 10 x tables

English

We are looking at 'The Magic Finger' by Roald Dahl with all aspects of English focussing on this book. The writing skills we will be focussing on are:

- using capital letters and full stops correctly
- using spelling patterns correctly and spelling some common exception words (see handout given out last term)
- forming letters correctly and beginning to join up.

Reading:

We will be reading these books in our Reading lessons:

Oak: Fairy Tale Pets by Tracey Corderoy and Jorge Martin

Willow: Sleep Well, Siba and Saba by Nansubuga Nagadya Isdahl and Sandra Van Doorn.

We would like all the children to have a copy of this book ready for the new term. Please do not feel that you need to purchase a new copy as you may be able to borrow one from the library or purchase a second hand copy from Amazon. We will be focussing on the following skills:

- (Vocabulary) talking about the meanings of words and phrases
- (Inference) finding out about why characters behave in certain ways and main events by looking for clues in the text
- (Prediction) predicting what will happen next by using evidence in the text
- (Explanation) explaining what has happened in a book
- (Retrieval) retrieving information from a text (fiction, non-fiction & poetry)
- (Sequencing) ordering the main events of a story

IPC: The Earth – Our Home

- We are studying animal habitats (e.g forest, rainforests, and mangrove), looking at atlases as to where these are located
- answering scientific questions
- gathering information
- conducting simple investigations
- completing research using the computer

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