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Dear parents,

Welcome to the Summer Term in Year 2. Our topic this term is ‘SURVIVAL’ and this half term we are exploring Roots Shoots and Muddy Boots’. Your child will be doing lots of fun learning activities such as outdoor learning, Forest School and gardening activities. We will also be fitting in more time for Leap-our quick P.E slots throughout the week. P.E will still be on a Wednesday afternoon but please ensure your child has their P.E kit in all week in case we decide to do more. We have a new style Sports Day this half term –watch this space!

Maths

We have Maths Homework this half term in preparation for SATs which will come home as one rather large booklet. Please don’t be alarmed by this! It has lots of parental guidance in it and activities to do alongside your child. Please do a page from each section once or twice a week. If you are keen to do more then use as much as you want of the resource. It is meant to be a chance to help, discuss and understand how your child is learning maths in year 2.

We also have a Class Challenge piece of Homework which will take longer to plan and complete –we will send home a separate letter later on this half term about the Year 2 challenge!

Hints to help in Maths.....

I always suggest to parents that practising counting in 2s, 3s, 5s, and 10s, will really help. You can also explore this through the concept of money. Counting, sorting and using money and getting your child familiar with the coins we use is a great way to support learning in school.

Looking for patterns on the 100 square is also a great activity. Can they see the 2x table 5x table and 10 x table? What other patterns can they see? Finding odds and evens, looking down the columns and across the rows.

In our fractions unit we explore halves and quarters and thirds this year. So talking about shapes and objects, pizzas and apples cutting them up or halving amounts of lego or sweets etc will be brilliant.

Please remember all the above are only ideas of how if you want to you can help your child with maths. Please talk to them about number from 100 to 200 and how these are said and written.

Spelling

The Summer terms spellings will be sent out on a sheet for you to keep at home. The children will be tested on the spelling list on Fridays each week.

Reading

Please continue all the brilliant reading at home, going over the speed sounds and talking to your child about the story, characters and getting them to retell the story to you in 3 sentences. What was the beginning/ middle/end? The children will continue to choose a reading book from our ‘choosey book box’ which is outside the classroom door whenever they need a new one. Your child will also bring home a weekly Read Write Inc book. This book is the current level that your child is reading at. We suggest you read this book 3 times a week and record it in their diary. This book will then be changed on a Friday in school if reading has been recorded 3 times. If your child has any other books they enjoy reading at home please also write this in their diary so we can celebrate/discuss this with them in school.

If you have any questions or concerns please don’t hesitate to come and discuss them with us.

Kind Regards,

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