## Welcome to back to Pentecost Term Year Two!

Our team:
Mrs Kaur, Miss Whitaker,
Miss Dales, Mrs McCulloch, Miss Junaid,
Mr McLaughlin, Mrs Rowntree and Miss Morris

## **Liturgical Prayer and Celebration Assembly**

Liturgical Prayer, Celebration Assemblies and Masses will continue to take place in school.

Children will take part in whole school Liturgical Prayer and class Liturgical Prayer. On Fridays, there will be a celebration assembly and these will continue to take place every fortnight.

# **English**

In Year 2, children will be having daily Phonics and English sessions. Additionally, there will be regular handwriting sessions, where children will be encouraged to use a pre joined style of writing.

## **Key texts**

- A tree James Carter
- Where the Forest Meets the Sea Jeannie Baker
- The Magic Faraway Tree Jacqueline Wilson



## RE

Our RE topics from the 'Come and See' scheme will be:

- Sikhism
- Islam
- Rules
- Treasures



# How can you help your child at home?

- 1. Independence encourage your child to empty their bag every day and check their organiser.
- 2. Check your child has brought their organiser home every day and see if they have homework to do.
- 3. Listen to your child read every day, discuss their reading and make a note in their organiser
- 4. Embed our school mission statement by talking to them about the Mission Merits they achieve.

# Curriculum

Geography: Coastlines

**History**: Seaside **Science**: Plants

Art: Painting: texture painting a coastline scenery
Design & Technology: Textiles: sewing bookmarks

Computing: Creating media, Data handling, Online safety

PSHE: Living in the wider world, Health and wellbeing: growing and changing

PE: Invasion skills, Athletics





### Maths

In Maths this term we will be doing:

- Fractions
- Time
- Statistics
- · Position and Direction

During the week we will also be practising times tables. The times tables for Year 2 are 10s, 2s and 5s.

#### PΕ

PE sessions continue to be on a **Tuesday** and **Friday**. Ensure your child comes dressed in their PE kit to school. As well as the normal white polo shirt, black or blue shorts and plimsolls, your child will also need a navy-blue tracksuit as some PE will be outdoors. No jewellery should be worn during PE lessons, including earrings which must be removed or taped over for PE days.



Please ensure all items of your child's PE kit and school uniform are clearly named.

#### Uniform

It is essential that EVERY uniform item is clearly labelled as it wastes a lot of valuable learning time identifying lost items. As our cloakrooms are very crowded, we struggle to fit everybody's bags in. Please send your child in with an appropriately sized bag, just big enough to fit their reading folder and a NAMED water bottle.

As the weather (hopefully) gets warmer, please ensure your child attends school each day with a sun hat, their water bottle and with sun cream already applied.



# Homework

- Homework is an essential way to revisit learning so we will continue to send homework out each week on a Wednesday. This will be checked on the following Wednesday.
- Children will be reminded to ensure presentation and handwriting is carried out to their best ability, following our Letter-join scheme.
- Homework will include: spellings, a maths activity and a knowledge organiser task linked to the topic work.
- We will be testing the children on their spellings on Wednesdays.
- Children should be reading at home EVERY day and be making a note in their organiser.

#### Music

Children will continue to have their weekly music session with Mr Fox where they will learn key skills including reading rhythm and performing different pieces of music.

# Upcoming Year 2 dates for your diary...

15 July: Sports Day - 9.15am16 July: Bestwood Country Park

23 July: Beach Day Picnic – 11.45am to 1.30pm

#### **Behaviour Curriculum**

The children in Year 2 are always impressing us by following our behaviour curriculum and 'The Good Shepherd Way'. A reminder that the key phrases we use to support them are: 'We Dress to Impress', 'We use Fantastic Walking around school', 'We use a Loud and Proud voice' and 'SLANT' – sit up, listen, ask and answer questions, nod your head and track the speaker. Keep it up Year 2!