



Uniform, PE kits and water bottles: Please ensure your child is sent everyday with a water bottle containing water only. Full indoor and outdoor P.E. kits need to be in school and remain in school all term. Please ensure your child has correct uniform and looks smart in line with the new expectations. Please ensure that all of your child's clothes, bag, lunch box and water bottle are clearly labelled with their name and class.

Home Learning: Home learning will start from week beginning 10.9.18. One piece of Maths and one piece of English will be given weekly. Homework is handed out on a Friday and expected back in on the following Wednesday. If homework is not completed at home then children will be expected to attend homework club. Please keep all homework in school packs. They will be emptied half termly. A half term project will also be given.

Reading: Each week your child will be given a reading book. Their reading books will be changed with an adult once weekly. Please ensure that your child brings their books and reading record to school every day. The children will read regularly to an adult in school three times a week and are expected to read to an adult at home.

Dates for your diary:

Library:

Apple Class—13.9.18, 11.10.18, 15.11.18

Hawthorn Class—20.9.18, 18.10.18, 22.11.18

You will receive a letter about trip dates later in the term.



X Marks the Spot.



**Year 2
Autumn Term**

Learning together, achieving success.



Welcome to year 2! As we are sure you are aware this is a really important year for your child as we prepare them for SATs and we are looking forward to taking them on the next part of their school journey. It is important that your child is in school and on time every day to help them achieve their full potential. We look forward to working in partnership with you over the coming year.

Year 2 team:

Miss Cooper (Apple Class Teacher)

Miss Grice (Hawthorn Class Teacher)

Mrs Brady (Teaching Assistant)

Other Staff:

Miss Best (KS1 Phase Leader)

Mr Holder (Assistant Head Teacher)

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you should have any concerns, we will do our best to answer your queries.

The happiness of your child is very important to us all.

Our topic:

The theme for our Autumn Term topic is 'X Marks the Spot.' This topic will be a geography based topic. We will be discussing the answer to the big question: 'Where in the world would you rather be?' The aim of this topic is to name, locate and identify the characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the United Kingdom. The children will learn to use world maps, atlases and globes as well as simple fieldwork and observational skills to study the geography of our school and its grounds.



English: This term in English, we will be studying non-fiction texts, stories by the same author, poetry and stories with familiar settings. There will be a heavy focus on spelling, grammar and punctuation to prepare the children for their SATs.

Maths: This term in Maths, we will be focusing on number and place value and rehearsing counting in 2's 5's and 10's. We will have the opportunity to learn all about the value of money and finding change. We will be learning efficient written methods for the four operations (+ - x and ÷) and looking at problem solving through reasoning.

Science: In Science, this term we will be learning about living things and their habitats, categorising by alive, dead, and never living. We will be exploring the uses of everyday materials.

Design and Technology: In Design and Technology, we will be learning about a healthy diet and where food comes from. As well as this we will be designing, making and evaluating a fruit salad.

PE: In PE, we will be exploring different ways to use our bodies to travel, a range of different jumps and creating a variety of balances on apparatus. In games the children will be learning skills needed in invasion games such as football and tag rugby.

RE/SMSC: In RE, we will be exploring how we can offer praise and thanks to our local community. We will think about heroes and heroines in our area and discuss the qualities that make a hero. In our SMSC lessons we will be learning about respect, gratitude and kindness.

Computing: The children will be provided with the opportunity to devise sets of instructions which will guide a person, followed by a robot, around a treasure map allowing them to begin using the computer language of algorithms.

Music: In Music, the children will use their voices expressively and creatively by singing songs and speaking chants and rhymes.