



# Our Year 2 Classroom News

## Autumn Term Information

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### Welcome

Hello and welcome to all of our new Year 2 children and parents. We are very excited and looking forward to what is sure to be another fantastic year filled with opportunities for learning and making new friends!

We kick-start Year 2 with our Autumn term topic called **Walk the Plank!** This will include looking at various areas of the life and times of sea-faring figures, geographical features and animal habitats too!

Ms Allen, Miss O'Connor, Miss Powell and the team

### Things to Remember

#### PE:

Year 2 have indoor PE days on Monday afternoons and outdoor PE as follows;

- Westminster on Wednesday
- Embankment on Thursday
- St Paul's on Thursday

**Please note:** make sure that you child has the correct PE kit.

#### Home Learning:

- **Reading Books** – changed every Monday, Wednesday and Friday
- **Maths** – practise counting on in 2s, 5s and 10s.

### Our Topic

Over the course of the Autumn term, we will explore these areas:

- Different habitats that are found around the world
- Significant historical figures such as Sir Francis Drake and Captain Cook.
- Identifying and naming the continents and oceans of the world.

**In English**, we will be writing stories related to our class book 'How to Find Gold'. We will also be doing various writing linked to Black History Month. Our writing will include writing about personal experiences and that of others, writing for different purposes including stories, poetry and non-fictional writing.

**In Maths**, we will be consolidating our understanding of place value and the four operations. We will also be regularly applying our problem solving and reasoning skills. Some of the areas we will be covering include:

- Counting in steps of 2,3,5,10's
- Compare and order number using  $<$   $>$   $=$
- Recall & use addition/subtraction facts up to 100

**In Science**, we will investigate grouping animals and food chains, differences between living and non-living things, a range of different habitats, identifying plants and animals by specific criteria.



### Important Dates

5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Children back to school
7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Launch Day
14 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Meet the Teacher at 9am KS2 Hall
Early Oct	Maritime Museum trip TBC
17 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parents Evenings
12 <sup>th</sup> and 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y1-3 Christmas Production

21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Westminster class assembly
30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	St Paul's class assembly
12 <sup>th</sup> June	Embankment class assembly