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Year 2 Newsletter 2016 – Term 1 – Letter 1

Dear Parents/Carers

Firstly, we would like to thank you and the children for such a positive start to the year. The children are settling well and we have enjoyed getting to know them all. We have included some further information overleaf to ensure the smooth running of Year 2 which may be of interest to you.

As you may be aware our topic for this term is Houses and Homes and we have lots of exciting enrichment activities planned to support the children's learning. For their art project the children will be designing and making their own houses and it would be helpful if you could provide them with a cereal box or similar (by 10th October) in preparation for their Design Technology lesson. In addition to the cereal boxes, children could also bring in items to decorate their houses e.g sweets wrappers, fabric and material which can be used to create curtains, doors and other features.

Furthermore if any parents are builders, carpenters or similar and would like to share their expertise to develop the children's understanding this would be very welcome! Please discuss this with your child's class teacher.

To celebrate the end of our topic, the children will perform a small show on Friday 21st October at 9.15am. Due to restrictions with space, tickets will be limited to two per family. Please bring the following tickets with you on the day via the Woodgate Road entrance.

Houses & Homes Show

Friday 21st October

9:15am

TICKET 1

Please bring this ticket with you



Houses & Homes Show

Friday 21st October

9:15am

TICKET 2

Please bring this ticket with you

Drop off and pick up.

Please ensure your child is encouraged to come into Year Two independently. Any messages for the teacher should be placed into the appropriate class post-box. At the end of the school day Year 2 children should be collected from the playground. It is important that every child waits their turn in the line so the teacher can see who they have gone home with. We also ask for your co-operation in standing well back in order for us to see all parents.

National Curriculum Tasks and Tests (SATs)

These take place in May, during the first half of the Summer Term. **It is important that your child is not on holiday during this period.** Information will be sent out later in the year to inform you of how this assessment process takes place.

Reading, spellings and times tables.

At the beginning of the term children were sent home with spellings and times tables to learn which will be tested weekly. If you have any queries or have misplaced your copy please see your child's class teacher. We ask that children bring their book bag in everyday although this does not mean they will read with the teacher every day. We aim to change children's reading books twice a week and they can take books home from the reading corner as often as they like. Remember your child's reading will develop at his/ her own rate.

Kind Regards

The Year 2 Team