



*One Community, Growing and Learning Together*

## Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn Term 1

Welcome to the 2024/2025 academic year and the first step on your child's Year 2 journey. We have lots of exciting curriculum learning planned for this half-term and greatly value your support as a parent/ carer. We would like to share our curriculum coverage for this half-term.

**English** - Pupils will be writing recounts, instructions and information texts (linked to our History unit). We will develop our reading skills through class texts, including Winnie the Witch. Please support us with reading, by listening to your child read aloud at home.

**Maths** – Our mathematicians will concentrate on place value and continue to develop their fluency and reasoning skills through solving problems. Please support us at home by ensuring your child completes any maths homework.

**Science** – The Year 2 scientists will develop their knowledge about animals, including humans. We will look at what animals need to survive and how humans can remain healthy.

**RE** – Year 2 will be building upon their Year 1 learning by exploring how Hindu people celebrate the festival of Diwali.

**PE** - Pupils will be developing their creative movement, balance skills and core strength.

**History** – Children will learn about the events surrounding the Great Fire of London. We will explore how different sources allow us to understand events from the past.

**Art and Design** – Our artists will be learning about the Artist, Georgia O'Keefe. They will develop skills of sketching, drawing and painting.

**Computing** – Pupils will use 'Purple Mash' to create their own pictures in the style of various different artists.

**PSHEE & Relationships** – Children will consider and discuss the VIPs in their lives as they learn about cultivating relationships.

**Commando Joe** – This is linked to our History unit and we will be learning more about the life of Sam Pepys

### Reminders

- Year 2 children benefit greatly from reading every day at home, especially with an adult to hear and question them. Children will receive Reading Raffle stamps for every adult signature in their Home/School Reading Record. Children should read their book several times in order to build pace, fluency and understanding of the text.
- Homework and spellings will be handed out each week for children to complete.
- Homework to be handed in on a Friday and spelling tests will take place each Friday. New spellings and homework will be given on a Friday for the following Friday.
- PE will take place on Tuesday and Thursday of each week – please can children have their PE kits in school.

### Our Commando Joe Character Values

