



Year 2 Autumn Term TOYS

Welcome back, this half term, we will be learning about toys! We will explore popular toys today, family favourites and compare these to older toys and photographs from the past to see how life has changed. We will make links to how we live and what we do and compare this to other cultures as well as exploring the continents of the world. There are many opportunities to talk about toys at home and discuss your own childhood with your children.

English • Writing recounts, stories (traditional stories) and instructions for making gingerbread men.

Mathematics • Number, place value, addition and subtraction

Science • Uses of everyday materials

RE • Creation and beginnings

History • Changes within living memory

Art & DT • Drawing and painting, collage and portraits. Design and make a puppet and a gingerbread man.

Geography • Toys from around the world.

PE: Wednesday and Friday

This term the children need to wear their PE kits to school every Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure they are dressed appropriately for outside sport. They will need jogging tops and bottoms as well as trainers suitable for outside.

Important dates in Year 2

Wednesday 4th October Castle Museum trip
parent volunteers welcome please speak to us if you can come

Thursday 5th October Year 2 St Francis Liturgy
parents welcome

Reading

Reading is so important in Year Two. Try to read with your child **every day** and read to them as much as possible.

We will be sending home the book that we are all reading in class the week after this text is completed. Each book is used in class over 2 weeks, so will be changed every other week. We encourage you to read this book with your children at home as this book is helping to build a variety of reading skills.

The children can also bring home colour banded books (the aim is to read at a level they are 90% fluent at before moving on to the next level). The children are encouraged to change books by themselves when they need to. If you would like a new book then just let us know before or after school.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to email and get in touch.

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