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Dear parents/carers and children,

### Year 2 Autumn 1 Curriculum letter

Welcome back to school!

We hope that you have had a good summer break and are looking forward to the year ahead. We certainly are!

#### Our Core Values

**Happiness:** We spread joy to those around us.

**Compassion:** We care and are kind to all.

**Respect:** We treat others as we would like to be treated.

**Teamwork:** We work well with everyone.

#### Year 2 Staff

**Birch class teacher:** Mrs. L. Kerse

**Pine class teacher:** Mr. J. Law

**Elder class teacher:** Mrs C. Atkinson

**Learning support assistants:** Mrs. N. Blake, Miss. R. Perez, Mrs Ganan

**PPA teachers:** Mrs. Mehta, Mrs. Banks, Mrs. Hassell

#### Communication

Please feel free to contact class teachers directly on our class email accounts.

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[pineclass@harefieldinfant.com](mailto:pineclass@harefieldinfant.com)

**Please check emails regularly for any important information from the school.**

#### Homework

Homework, along with answers, will be emailed out to parents every **Monday**.

Spelling packs will be given for each term. Spelling checks take place on **Monday**.

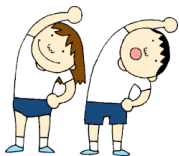
Maths passport checks will take place on a **Friday**.

Children in Year 2 are responsible for changing their own reading books when required.

Please ensure reading and sharing books is happening **every day**.

Please ensure that children have bookbags and water bottles every day.

#### Important information – P.E



**Pine & Birch – Indoor P.E – Wednesday**

**Outdoor P.E – Friday**

**Elder – Indoor P.E – Thursday**

**Outdoor P.E - Monday**

Please send children to school in correct and suitable P.E kit on the day they have P.E.

#### P.E

Year two will cover a range of activities that include sport, fitness and health. There will be two lessons a week; one **indoor** and one **outdoor**. **REMINDER:** Children must come into school dressed appropriately for PE and will remain in their PE clothes for the entire day.

**HAPPINESS · COMPASSION · RESPECT · TEAMWORK**

## In Year 2 we will be learning:

### Maths

In maths this half term, year 2 will be following the White Rose Maths Scheme and will be consolidating their knowledge of place value up to 100. Then, we will be using addition and subtraction to solve calculations and word problems using manipulatives and concrete resources.

An example of the type of word problems is:

Fill in the missing digits to complete the number sentence:  $\_9 + \_3 = 64$

### English

Year two are following the Talk For Write approach and will learn a traditional tale, poetry and letter writing taught through The Papaya that spoke. The story map and story will be sent home for your child to read and perform with actions.



### Science

Year two will be investigating "What's in your habitat?" and "Growing Up". We will be different types of animal habitats and their food chains and visit some local habitats of area.



looking at the animals in our

### Geography

During the first half of autumn term, Year two will learn about the Journey of food, exploring how food is produced at farms and travels to our dinner plates.

### R.E

Year two will focus on Christianity this term and learn about being kind.



### Art

Year two will be learning the formal elements of art. We will be looking at pattern, texture and tone: create printed patterns using everyday objects, take rubbings using different media and creating 3D drawings.

### Computing

Year two will be learning about E-Safety.

### Personal, Social and Health Education

In year two we will be exploring "Being me in my world" through the JIGSAW Scheme. We will be thinking about our class and school community, our right to learn, our right to care about other people's feelings and to devise our own class Charter.



### Music

We will be learning about "musical me" and orchestral instruments. Children learn to sing the song 'Once a Man Fell in a Well' and to play it using tuned percussion instruments.

### Skills builder project



Please feel free to contact us via the class email accounts should you have any questions, or any work your child wishes to share, over the term ahead.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

The Year 2 team - Mrs Kerse, Mrs Atkinson and Mr Law