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Dear Year 2 parents/carers and children,

### Year 2 Curriculum Letter- Spring (2<sup>nd</sup> half)

Welcome back for Spring!

#### 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

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

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

#### Communication

Please feel free to contact class teachers directly on our class email accounts and we will aim to reply as soon as possible.

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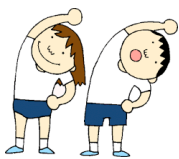
#### Homework

Homework, along with answers, will be emailed out to parents every **Monday** and should be handed in to teachers on Friday. Please email your child's class teacher if you would like paper copies of homework instead. Spelling packs will be given for each half term. Spelling checks take place each **Monday**.

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



**Birch class – Indoor P.E – Wednesday**  
**Outdoor P.E – Monday**

**Elder class – 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. This includes a warm, black tracksuit and trainers at this time of year.

#### P.E

Year two will cover a range of activities that include sport and gymnastics. 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.

#### Show and Tell

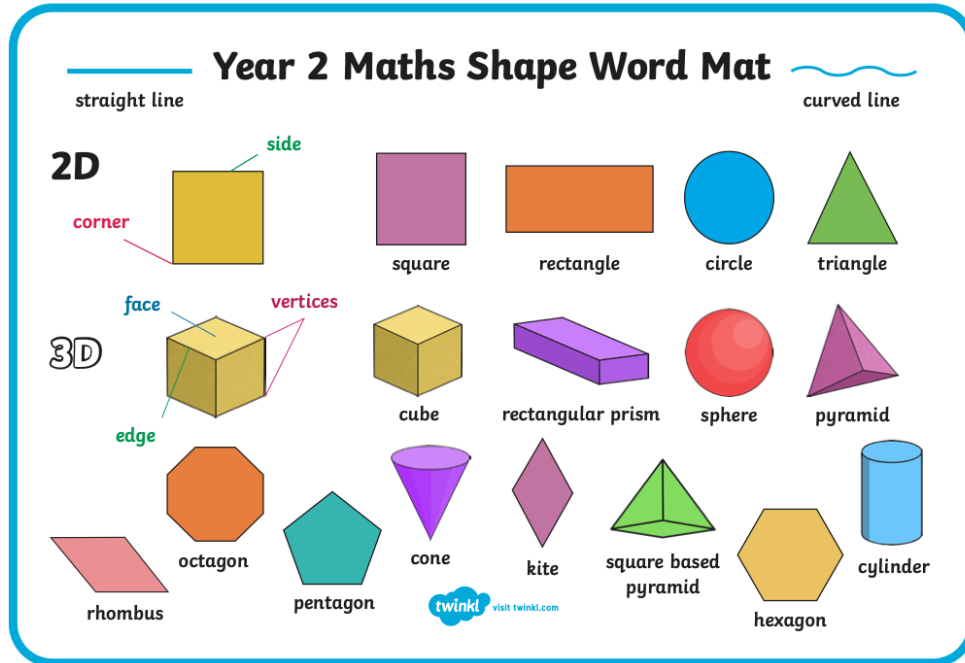
We are continuing with show and tell on Friday afternoons. Please see class timetable to see when your child has their 5-minute show and tell presentation time. Please encourage your child to bring in something that is special to them and something they can talk about and answer questions about – not just a toy. We look forward to hearing all about the children's special things!

**HAPPINESS · COMPASSION · RESPECT · TEAMWORK**

This half term, in Year 2 we will be learning:

### Maths

In maths this half term, year 2 will continue to follow the White Rose Maths Scheme.



We will be learning about shapes and their properties. Please ensure your child knows the name of all the 2D and 3D shapes as above.

Year 2 will also be introduced to fractions, finding  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of both shapes and numbers.

### English

Year two are continuing to follow the Talk for Write approach and will learn 'The Greedy Fox,' written by Pie Corbett.

This story is a repeating pattern and children will eventually write their own version of the story by changing the characters. We will also be writing explanation texts and listening to, performing and writing poetry.

At this stage in Year 2, we are looking for children to be able to produce writing that makes sense, is accurate and has a wide range of interesting words. Reading a variety of books; including stories, novels, information books and comics, to and with, your child will really help their writing.

### Science

Year two will be continuing to learn about "Materials" this half term and considering why certain materials are used over others.

In Science week in March, children will be undertaking a science workshop creating slime and looking at the work of Charles Macintosh and his waterproof material.





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### **Geography**

Year two are looking at, 'Our Wonderful World, will be undertaking map work and looking at ancient world wonders and mountains and rivers.

### **R.E**

Year two will be looking at Christianity and the story of Easter. They will be considering why Jesus is so important to Christians.



### **D.T**

In D.T Year 2 will be looking at structures and investigating how to build objects that are strong and fit for purpose.

### **Personal, Social and Health Education**

Year two will be continuing working through the JIGSAW programme, looking at 'Healthy Me.' Children will be discussing how to stay healthy through diet and exercise.

### **Music**

This half term, Year two will be working with Mrs Banks and Mrs Hassell to learn about African Call and Response. We will have an African Drumming workshop visiting, which includes drumming, dancing and story-telling.

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.

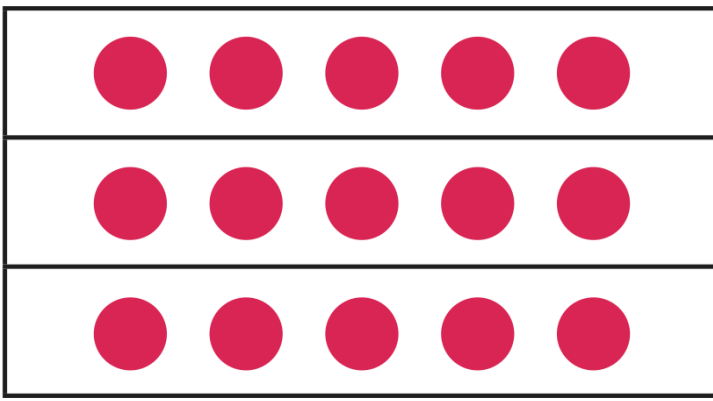
Yours faithfully,  
The Year 2 team – Mrs Atkinson and Mrs Kerse

## Multiplication $\times$ (times, lots of)

Strategies:

### Array

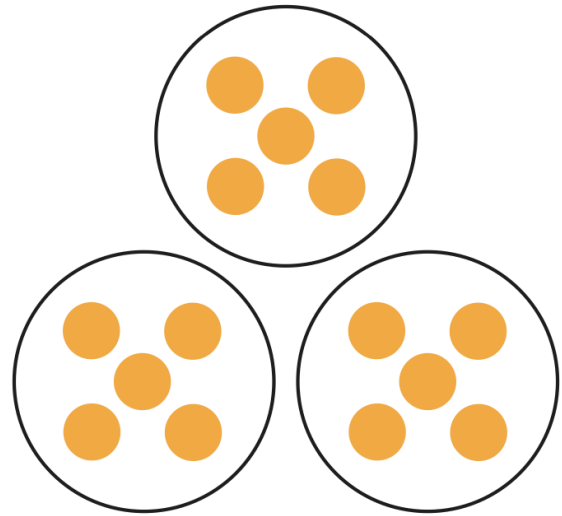
Rows and columns with an equal amount in each.



$$3 \times 5 = 15$$

### Equal Groups

Use the same number of units in each group.



$$3 \times 5 = 15$$

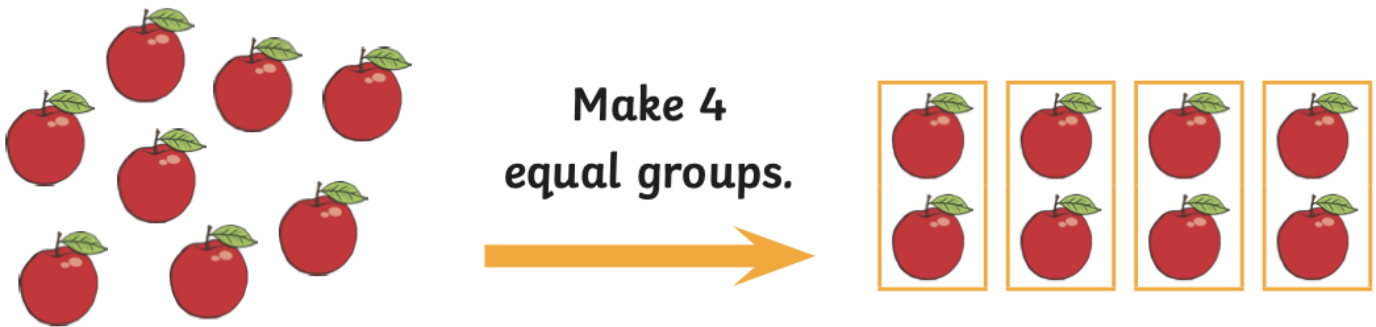
### Repeated Addition

$$5 + 5 + 5 = 15$$

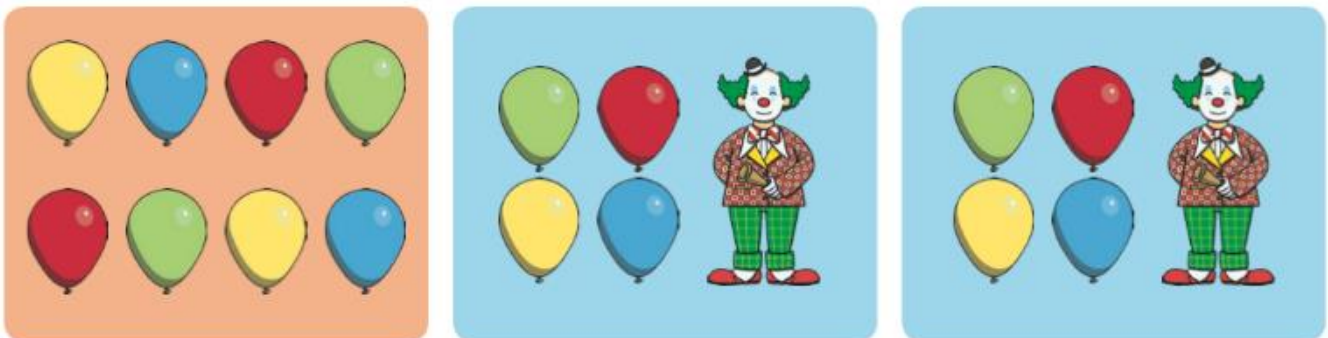
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## Division $\div$ (divide, share equally, split)

Strategies: sharing equally



If we have eight balloons to share between two clowns, how many balloons does each clown get?



$$8 \div 2 = 4$$

eight      divided by      two      equals      four