



**A message from Miss Aldridge...**

A very happy new year to you all!

Our first term in Year 2 was fantastic, we had some great learning opportunities and have made some amazing progress and achieved much success. I am excited to share the next term with you which I'm sure will be just as exciting and successful. This term, Mrs West will continue to support us, please do not hesitate to come and speak to us about any aspects of our learning this term.

We look forward to sharing your child's achievements with you!

**RE**

**Books:** Learning about special books used at home, school and in Church by the Parish Family.  
**Thanksgiving:** Learning about the different ways we can say and show thanks.  
**Opportunities:** Learning that Lent is a special time with opportunities for



**Creative Curriculum**

**Kings and Queens**

**Science:**

Investigating friction using vehicles and ramps.

**Art:**

Castle Art work and Sketches of Historical Houses

**History:**

Looking at Significant Individuals from the Past  
 King Henry VIII, Elizabeth I  
 Study of Local Historical Houses  
 Althorp House, Boughton House



**English**

Weekly Book Talk sessions.

Film Stimulus:  
 The Lion King

Writing setting descriptions, diary entries as members of the Royal Family and Traditional Tales.

Non-fiction books related to Kings and Queens



**Maths**

Addition and Subtraction (to 100) mentally and using a number line.

Adding and subtracting two 2-digit numbers (with and without crossing ten)

Estimating answers to calculations

Multiplication and Division

- Solve problems using arrays, formal calculation, mental methods, resources.

**Money**

Recognising coin denominations, combining coins to make the same and different amounts, solving real-life problems.

Weekly Mastermind Maths



**Homework and how to help your child at home...**

Please listen to your child read and/or read to them at least 3 times per week, it has such an impact on the progress they make.

Complete weekly 'Learning Log' task which will be given out every Friday and collected in every Thursday-be as creative as you can!

Encourage your child to practise their spellings each week (as well as previous ones), read and write the Year 2 Common Exception Words (sent out in September) and their times tables. Doing so will really benefit your child when they complete their SATs in the Summer term.

### **Dates for your diary and other information...**

PE will be every Tuesday please ensure PE kits are named and I ask please that children do not wear earrings on these days.