



# Year 2 Newsletter

Autumn 1 2016

## Welcome to Year 2!

We hope that you have all had an enjoyable holiday.

Willow Class: Miss Wallis, Mrs Watt & Mrs O'Callaghan

Walnut Class: Mrs Banks, Mrs Cooper & Mrs Davies

## Mathematics

This term we will be focusing on counting and ordering numbers within 100. We will also be looking at place value. There will be a focus on writing the number words. We will also be working on addition and subtraction and answering mental maths questions.

Regular practice counting forwards and backwards in 1's, 2's, 5's and 10's will help your child.



## English

This half term we will be linking our literacy work to castles and tunnels. We will be writing information books about castles. We will also be reading the traditional story of Rapunzel.

There will be a focus on the basic punctuation to ensure that the children are able to apply these skills more consistently within longer pieces of writing.

We will continue to improve our phonics skills with daily lessons.

## Towers, Tunnels and Turrets

This half term we will be learning about different types of castles and what life was like living in a castle. We will also be learning about famous towers, bridges and tunnels around the world.

We will be going on a trip to a castle and Barnard Castle so that the children are able to experience and visit a real castle. More details will follow shortly.



## Support from home

### Reading

Your child will be bringing home a reading book to practise their reading skills.

Please ensure that your child reads at least 3 times each week and has their reading record book signed.

### Homework

Your child will bring home a homework grid with activities linked to our topic. They are able to select any tasks and need to achieve 12 points or more by the end of the half term.

## Pupil of the Week

For your child to be pupil of the week they must:

- Work hard at home and school
- Be prepared and dress properly for school
- Always behave well
- Come to school on time every day

