

Welcome back!

Welcome back after a lovely Christmas break - I hope you all had a wonderful, well-deserved rest, and I hope you got some exciting presents too! I am really excited for our second term in Class 2 and I know the children are thoroughly going to enjoy the learning we have planned.



Our new enquiry question for the Spring term is "**Where in the World do we fit?**". We will be learning about the seven continents of the world, and where they are all located on a world map. Additionally, we will be learning about the five oceans. The children will continue to develop their map skills throughout this term, as we will be comparing two different places in the world. These

places are Skegness and South Africa, and we will be looking at human and physical features in both places. When investigating South Africa, Nelson Mandela will be discussed regularly, and the children will be learning about his significance. The fundamental values will be focussed upon and integrated into our learning about Nelson Mandela.

We will be linking our enquiry to our learning in art, where we will be creating and painting clay sculptures. The children will be using various tools and techniques to make their designs brilliant!

In D&T we will be learning about safety when it comes to preparing food, and towards the end of this term, we will be following a healthy recipe to create a hot dish. We will also be identifying which foods are healthy and unhealthy.

Our English lessons will be linked to our enquiry question. To start the term, our writing lessons will involve describing settings in Antarctica. We will be considering the adjectives, verbs, adverbs, and types of sentences that we can use to make our writing more descriptive and exciting! In reading, we are focussing on the book 'Nelson Mandela. Long Walk to Freedom', where we will be developing our retrieval skills when finding specific information within a text.

In maths, we will be starting a unit on measures in particular looking at money and adding and subtracting amounts. After this, we will be moving onto a unit on multiplication and division.

Our PE lessons will continue to be on a Monday afternoon so please ensure your child is coming to school dressed in an appropriate PE kit.

As always, if you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me either on class dojo or on the door.

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