



Dates for your diary

Bank Holiday	01.05.17
SATS	w/c 22.05.17
Half Term	29.05.17 - 02.06.17
Sports Day	06.06.17
Trip to Ruislip Lido	26.06.17 or 27.06.17
Road Safety Show	23.06.17
Parents Meetings	12.07.17

Welcome back...

Welcome back, we hope you had an enjoyable holiday and look forward to the new year ahead. Please read these reminders below:

School Day: Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time each day. The school doors open at 8:50 am for extra reading, if your child is consistently late, they will miss out on this vital learning opportunity.

Uniform: Children must come to school wearing the correct uniform including a tie. Only black, flat shoes are allowed. The correct PE kit must also be worn for PE and Games lessons (white polo shirt or house colour T-shirt, black or navy shorts or tracksuit bottoms). Children will no longer be allowed to wear designer sports wear and will be provided with a spare school kit should they not have the correct clothing.

Homework: It is very important that we work together so that your child can consolidate their skills at home. Please ensure that you encourage and support your child with their homework.

Attendance: It is vital that your child attends school every day in order for them to reach their full potential. The school's expectation for attendance is 96%. If your child is unable to attend, please make sure that you phone the school office in the morning and everyday.

Can we also take this opportunity to remind you that children should be reading every night and they need to have their reading book signed. This should be happening every night including the weekend.

ACHEIVEMENTS

Well done to all Year 2 children. We are extremely proud of all our children as they have worked hard to meet their targets and have made great progress. A *special congratulations* to these children who have made outstanding progress in these subjects:

Reading

- Yara Texiera
- Shaan Bains
- Geasmina Bujor
- Filip Ozdoba

Writing

- Lukas Darzynskas
- Mustafa Ahmed
- Hashir Nassir
- Rehan Hussain

Maths

- Nevaeh Jones
- Dawud Ali
- Alisha Arafat
- Jakub Szembelan



English

We will be studying creative writing via a story called 'Adventure at Sea'. This will allow children ample opportunities to practice the key skills needed for them to achieve an age related level in writing.

You can help by working on using:

- Adjectives
- Connectives
- Full stops and capital letters
- Question and exclamation marks.
- Speech marks.
- Adverbs

We will also be doing a film unit, where children study a short film, then work on the skills mentioned above.

Science

In Science this term, children will be looking at what makes us healthy.

Diet, exercise and hygiene will be focal points for this topic. We are hoping all of the knowledge acquired in these lessons will be implemented by all, contributing to Montem's push for healthy lifestyles!



Spellings

Please remember to help you child learn their spelling every week and write a sentence too.

Mathematics

This term we will be learning about:

- Number and place value
- Addition and subtraction
- Properties of shape
- Multiplication and division
- Fractions of numbers and shapes
- Measure

You can help at home by:

Practise mental adding and subtracting, as well as multiplication tables.

Counting forwards and backwards with your child.

Asking your child how they worked out their number sentences.

Encourage children to play maths based games (e.g. snakes and ladders, mathematics) on the internet).



Music

In Music the children are currently exploring rhythm, pitch and dynamics using a range of instruments. The children are enjoying experimenting with modifying sound through various methods of playing an instrument.



Reading

In preparation for SATs, we have added an extra Reading slot to our timetable. This additional time spent answering test based questions with the support of their teachers will enable students to make the progress required to achieve well in SATs. In addition to these boosters, each class will enjoy reading a chosen book to continue to develop a love reading and opportunity to analyse and discuss the story with their peers.

We encourage parents to continue supporting their children in reading by listening to them everyday and asking effective questions, such as "who is the main character?" "How would you feel in this situation?" "What do you think will happen next? Why?"



History

We will be studying Florence Nightingale and how she became a well known name in British history.

Children will study how she revolutionised her profession of nursing and how her innovative thinking brought about positive changes which we benefit from today.



Class Timetables

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