



# Year 2

## Spring Term Newsletter

Dear Parents

A warm welcome back and I hope you had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

Please find below some information about Year 2 and some things we will be doing during the Spring Term.

### Spring Term Curriculum

Our topic for the first half term is The Place Where I Live. We will be learning about how Shepshed has changed over the years, looking particularly at toys and games. If you have any photographs or information that you think would be useful for our topic, then please send these in with your child.

Our topic for the second half term is focused on living things, during which we will be completing work on different habitats and food chains. We will also be learning about seasonal changes.

### R.E. Curriculum

There are three topics for the Spring Term:

**Books:** In this topic the children will explore books used at home and at school. They will learn about the books used in Church on Sunday and some of the responses we make during the service.

**Big Question: Why do we need books?**

**Opportunities:** In this topic we will look at how each day offers opportunities for good. We will learn about Lent as a time to turn towards what is good, in preparation for Easter.

**Big Question: How does each day offer opportunities for good?**

**Thanksgiving:** This topic leads us very well into the celebration of Easter. We will explore different ways to say thank-you. We look at stories from the Bible including Palm Sunday, The Last Supper, Good Friday and Easter Sunday, before linking The Last Supper to the Eucharist.

**Big Question: Why should we be grateful people?**

Each R.E. topic has a 'big question'. It would be useful if you could discuss these questions with your child at home.

**Homework:** Homework will be given out on Friday's and should be returned no later than the following Friday.

It is important for you to support your child with their homework and reading, but also encouraging them to do as much as possible by themselves – for example asking the children to read the questions themselves rather than reading the questions to them.



**Reading books:** It is important that children read daily and that you sign their new reading diaries each day. Children should change their books at least once each week. Children change their own reading books as soon as they come into class in the morning, so it would be helpful if you could remind them before school if they need a new book.

**P.E.:** P.E. will be on Wednesday afternoons, so please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school.

**Spellings:** Spellings will be completed on a Friday. Children will need their spelling books in class.

### School Uniform:

Please ensure children wear correct school uniform and that their uniform is named.

I hope this newsletter has given you a useful insight into some of the activities that will be taking place this term. If you have any questions regarding your child's learning or have any other queries or concerns during the year, please do not hesitate to speak to myself after school, or by prior appointment via the office.

Mrs Monk