



Bishop Tufnell CE Schools

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Learning together, to serve God, His world and His people.
Always our best because everyone matters.



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YEAR 2 AUTUMN TERM NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

September 2017

Welcome to Year 2

The children have made a great start in their new year group. Our topic is "Under the Canopy" and in particular the children will be learning about rainforests and the animals that live there. Hopefully you had the opportunity during the summer break to do a little research with your child. Much of our literacy will be linked to writing facts and writing from first-hand experience.

Your continued support with your child's reading is greatly appreciated; please continue to record your comments in the reading diary as these are very helpful. For your information children will continue to self-select reading books within a coloured band; however each band does contain a range of texts varying in degree of challenge. Sometimes children enjoy a text that they can read comfortably thereby allowing them to consolidate their skills, other times a more challenging text introduces them to new vocabulary. Guided Reading Sessions will continue to encourage "book talk" which serves to develop comprehension skills.

Grouped Phonics lessons will take place daily and spellings will be sent home each Friday, ready for a spelling test the following week. Daily Maths lessons will continue to take place with the weekly Maths Challenge serving to consolidate learning in school by suggesting activities you can do at home with your child.

In Working with Others (WWO) we will be focusing on listening and using turn taking skills as well as working in random groups.

Year 2 will continue to take part in Forest School with Mrs D Martin on Friday afternoons. You will be advised by the class teacher when it will be your child's turn. If you have a current West Sussex DBS issued through the School Office and are able to help Mrs Martin on a Friday please see Mrs Leslie as soon as possible. We have to have at least 3 adults in order for this activity to run.

We have an exciting and busy term ahead and would love to hear from any of you who could spare an hour or so to help in the classroom....even if it's not on a regular basis. Please consider it and have a word with the class teacher. If you do not have one a DBS check will have to be completed online. Please ask at the School office.

The children will be doing PE outside every week so the children will need named track suits and trainers, as well as the usual shorts and t-shirt. The children will do P.E. twice a week, but not necessarily on fixed days, so please make sure your child has their NAMED kit every day (we do not have a supply of spare kits that we can lend). Please also ensure earrings are removed:-

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely
Mrs Leslie
Year Group Leader

