

YEAR 2 NEWS

FROG AND OWL CLASS RETURN TO SCHOOL FOR MORE FUN!



Year 2 Singing Festival

OWL AND FROG CLASS WOW FESTIVAL GOERS WITH FABULOUS SINGING

We had a fantastic morning at LVC for the Year 2 singing festival. It was lovely to see and hear other cluster schools singing including children from Linton Heights and from LVC. Year 2 did us proud with their singing and performance. They were all amazing!



Welcome back

MS ANTELO AND MS WEBSTER-SPRIGGS

Hello and welcome back to Year 2! We hope you've all had a restful half term. We have been amazed at how well everyone has settled back into year 2 and we are looking forward to an exciting and busy half term ahead.

In this newsletter you will find a brief overview of what we will be learning this half term, key dates and some resources that you may like to use to help your child at home.

Please do get in touch if you would like more ideas or have any questions.

Key Dates

November

- 11th- 15th – Parent consultation meetings with Ms W-S and Ms Antelo
- 12th - Big DT Build and Open Classroom
- 18th – Parent Consultation meetings with Ms Antelo

December

- 2nd- INSET DAY
- 3rd- RE Day- Messages and Messengers
- 4th – Trip to Braintree Museum
- 11th – Christingle trail TBC
- 18th Christmas Lunch
- 19th – Whole School Christmas Pantomime
- 20th- Last day of term

Parent Helpers

Here at Linton CE Infant School we believe that learning is a team effort. If you have time to spare or are willing to lend a hand, we are always grateful for volunteers. Whether you're willing to listen to children reading, help out on school trips, or have special expertise that might link in to our learning this term – we'd love to hear from you. If you think you'd like to get involved please do speak to Ms W-S or Ms Antelo.

LOOKING FORWARD THIS HALF TERM...

The Big DT Build and Open Classrooms



TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2.00PM- 4PM

Please do join us for our fun DT Big Build afternoon on Tuesday 12th November at 2pm, where we are welcoming parents to come and design and build a shelter with the Year 2s. Please see below for a list of resources that we will be gathering before the event. Please do bring any of the resources in before the event.

Following on directly from this event we will be opening the Year 2 Classrooms for you to enjoy spending some time with your children, looking through their books and finding out what they have been having fun learning so far this year.

Resources needed for the Big DT Build:

- Newspaper
- Paper straws
- Wooden stirers (used in coffee shops)
- Raffia ribbon

TRIP TO BRAINTREE MUSEUM

On Wednesday 4th December we will be visiting the Braintree Museum where the children will be learning about the Victorians- how they lived and what school life was like for them. This has been a very enjoyable trip in the past so please save the date and there will be more information to follow soon.



GENERAL RESOURCES

White Rose Maths

At school we follow the White Rose Maths scheme. Download the 1-minute maths app for a quick blast of number question fun!

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/1-minute-maths>

There are also home learning videos available without logging in that echo the learning we are doing together in class.

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/home-learning?year=year-2-new>

You can also find free downloadable booklets that recap the learning of each topic in a range of fun, brightly coloured activities. A great way to practice learning at home in short bursts!

<https://whiteroseeducation.com/parent-pupil-resources/maths/free-downloads>

Oxford Owl

A fantastic library of free ebooks to read online.

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/reading/free-ebooks/>

BBC Teach and BBC Bitesize

A wide range of videos, home learning guides, and online lessons and resources to use at home. Dip in and out of things that interest your children, or choose specific activities to link in with our learning at school.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/primary>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ks1/zn2n9>

OVERVIEW OF LEARNING

Our core subjects

SUBJECTS TAUGHT THROUGHOUT EACH TERM

Literacy

This half term in Literacy we will be focusing on the following:

- Healthy sentences and alternate punctuation
- Writing longer pieces independently
- Information writing – posters
- Retelling cultural stories from different religions
- Letter writing
- Writing diary entries of historical figures

We will continue enjoying our class chapter books and begin to look more closely at the choices authors make.

Maths

This term in Maths we will be focusing on the following:

- Continuing our work on adding and subtracting with larger numbers and different methods, including column method and partitioning
- 2D and 3D shapes

Science

We will be learning about:

- Everyday materials – what are the objects around us made from?
- Properties of materials – flexibility, strength, durability

Computing

We will learn about how to use technology to capture images and take our own photos. We will continue to learn about being safe online.

RE

We will be learning about why Christians believe in Jesus. We will look at the Hindu and Sikh festival of Diwali and Jewish Hannukah.

Topic subjects

SUBJECTS WHICH ALTERNATE EACH HALF TERM

DT

We will be learning how to use simple mechanisms like levers and sliders to create some fantastic 3D shelters during our DT Big Build Day.

Music

We will be listening to a wide range of high quality music. We will begin exploring dynamics and tempo and making our own music with instruments.

History

We will begin learning about the different uses of fire throughout time, including how the cavemen kept safe, how the Romans invented central heating, and the Great Fire of London.