## Spring Term Newsletter Year 2

## Welcome to Year 2

## **English:**

This half term we will initially be focusing on narrative story writing. We will begin the term by exploring this genre through in depth learning about the book 'The Owl who was afraid of the dark'. Later in the term, we will develop our narrative story writing to immerse and deepen knowledge and skills.

Year 2 will continue to revisit and develop spelling, punctuation and grammar knowledge throughout the term term.

## **Maths Meetings**

Maths meetings will cover number recall and addition facts up to 100, multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables, shape and pattern, time and money.

## **Maths Lessons**

Maths lessons this term will include in depth teaching on time, including quarter past, quarter to and 5-minute intervals, fractions as part of a whole or a whole set, equivalent fractions and addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers.

## **Spelling and Handwriting**

We will be working on children's handwriting and spelling each week.

Children have been given weekly spelling words to take home, which will support their learning in school. Spellings will be tested weekly on Friday

# P.E

This half term our P.E days are:



**Thursday** 

&

Friday



## **Spanish and Music**

Spanish and Music will be taught weekly on Thursdays.

In Spring term Year 2 will be following the Life to the Full RSE programme.

To access the online parent platform please visit:

https://www.tentenresources .co.uk/parent-portal/

### Module 2 Created to Love Others

Unit 1 Religious Understanding

Unit 2 Personal Relationships

Unit Prayer & Assessment Activity

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Session 1 God Loves You

Session 1 Special People

Session 2

Treat Others Well...

Session 3 ...and Say Sorry

## Reading

In reading, we will continue to focus on accuracy, fluency and comprehension. We expect children to read regularly at least 5 times a week at home, practice is the best way to improve fluency of word reading. Phonics books will be changed on a weekly basis, please ensure this book is returned to school each week. A new book will not be issued if this has not been returned. Please continue to read regularly with your child and complete their reading records and return every Friday.

### R.E

Following the Come and See program, our topic is:

**Local Church**: The books used in

church

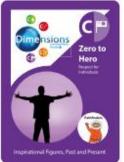
Big Question: Why do we need

books?



## Pathfinders - Zero to Hero





## Overview

"Zero to Hero" is a thematic unit about heroes and heroines, both past and present, who have overcome major challenges in life and become inspirational figures. There is a key subject focus on history. You will learn about different people, of different ages, from different cultural backgrounds who all have one thing in common - courage and determination.

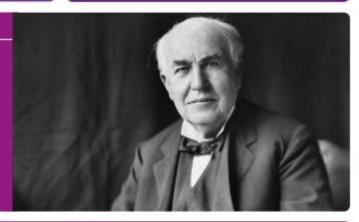
## Who?

### Malala Yousafzai

- · Famous for campaigning for girls' education
- **Thomas Edison**
- Invented the light bulb
- Michael Jordan
- Famous basketball player
- **Walt Disney**
- · Created some of the first cartoons

### **Mother Teresa**

Helped poor people in India



## Why?

## Why is Malala Yousafzai a hero?

Malala is incredibly brave. She was shot by the Taliban because she spoke out about how important it is for girls to be allowed to go to school, so they can achieve their dreams.

## Why is Thomas Edison a hero?

 He tried and failed over 1,000 times before he got it right! He never gave up and, eventually, invented the working light bulb.



## When was Malala born?

- She was born in 1997.
- When was Thomas Edison born?
- He was born in 1847.
- When was Mother Teresa?
- She was born in 1910.
- When was Michael Jordan born?
- He was born in 1963.
- When was Walt Disney born?
- He was born in 1901

## Where?

## Where was Malala born?

- She was born in Pakistan.
- Where did Mother Teresa work?
- Mother Teresa moved to Ireland for a year to learn her life.

## Where was Walt Disney from?

He was born in America and lived on a farm for a time. drawing cartoons.



- How do we know that Malala
  Yousafzai is a heroine?

   Malala has received many
  awards for her bravery and is
  the youngest person ever to
  receive the Nobel Peace Prize
  How do we know that Michael
  Jordan is a hero?

   Michael Jordan has many fans
  worldwide and he has inspired
  many young basketball
  players.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Mrs. Beckett

