



## Year 2

### Autumn 2 Newsletter

We hope you all had a fun half term and have had a good first week back. It was great to be able to speak to you about your child's learning during parent consultations.

#### Key Notices

**Book bags:** Please remember to send your child in with 1 bag only – a rucksack or a bookbag. We do not have the space to safely store multiple bags per child.

**Named Items:** Please ensure that all items are named – if they are named then they will always find their way back to you!

#### Australia

This half term, our topic is all about Australia and our two main focuses are Geography and Science.

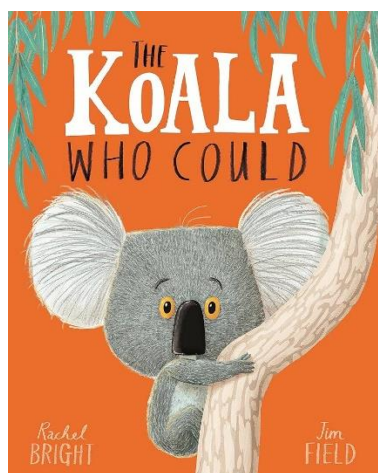
We will compare and contrast the human and physical geographical features of Jersey and Australia, looking at weather patterns, landmarks and animals.

In Science we will learn about plants that grow in Australia and about the life cycle of plants.



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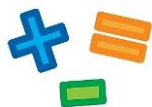
#### English



This half term, our text driver is 'The Koala Who Could' written by Rachel Bright. We will use this book to help us practise our oracy skills, rehearsing and performing it as a script. This will also help us develop these skills ready for our Christmas nativity!

The children will be writing a short re-tell of the story from Kevin's point of view. After they have written their stories, they will read them to check for sense and practise their editing skills.

## Maths



This half term we will focus on addition and subtraction. The children will continue to learn their number bonds as well as learn about 'fact families' and the relationships between numbers. We will continue to use tens frames, part whole diagrams and lots of practical resources to help support the children's learning.

## Caring Cooks

This half term we will be participating in Caring Cooks sessions. Over the course of 5 weeks we will learn to create different seasonal dishes and get the chance to try new foods. Please see below what the children will be learning each week. More details and recipe cards will be sent out after each session so you can try them at home too!

Week 1: Flatbread & Tzatziki

Week 2: Macaroni & Cauliflower Cheese

Week 3: Salmon Tacos

Week 4: Apple Crumble

Week 5: Vegetable Quesadillas



## Nativity!



Christmas is upon us! Our KS1 Nativity will be on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Each Year 2 child will have songs to learn and a script to practice. Our nativity this year is called Knock Knock! The Nativity.

## PE

**2A Mr Welsh:** Tuesday and Wednesday

**2B Mrs Betts:** Monday and Wednesday



## Homework

Reading will continue to be the main focus in Year 2. The class teacher will hear your child read at least once a week and from this week your child will come home with a levelled book to read at home. Please ensure all books are available at school each day – these can be kept in your child's bags.

**Key Dates:**

Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Deco Days
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fair
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Party Day
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day and End of Term

Should you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to ask.

Kind regards,

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