

# 'Being Better Every Day'

Thursday 22nd May 2025

## Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter - Term 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to share our final Curriculum Newsletter of the school year. In **Term 6**, our unit title is **War and Peace** 

## 'How are maps useful to geographers in their work?'

'This project teaches children about how maps are so useful for a geographer. We will study maps and their symbols. The children will have the opportunity to learn and use fieldwork skills including creating field sketches, looking at aerial photos and use compass points for direction. The term will very much have a geographical and DT focus.

(We have attached a 'Knowledge Organiser' for this unit, providing an overview of the unit; this should be a useful resource for pupils and parents.)

## **Home Learning Project**

For each unit, we will ask your child to complete a home-learning project. We ask that every child has a go at completing a project that can be brought into school. For this unit, your child could try geocaching. You will need a mobile phone just type in geocaching Eastbourne; it is like a treasure hunt using maps.

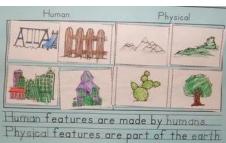
Why not try a geographical observational drawing (see Mrs Geography website).

Draw a map including human features of your house and the local environment.

# <u>Images</u>

Below are some images to inspire your home-school projects.







Your child may wish to come up with their own idea for their home learning project. Your child may wish to complete their project by themselves or need your support in completing their project – either is fine and we look forwarding to see them.

We have also included a list of websites you could explore at home to help your child with their learning:

#### **Useful Websites:**

https://www.geocaching.com/play

Online kids' games | National Geographic Kids (natgeokids.com)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rmu\_Jq2aGQs&ab\_channel=MrsGeography

Home learning projects should be completed by the **week beginning 7**<sup>th</sup> **July 2025.** If you have any questions about the home learning project, please contact your child's class teacher.

## Reading

Reading is the single most important skill that children will learn, and we expect every child to read at home every day. In Year 2, we expect every child to read with an adult for a minimum of 15 minutes every day. Reading takes on many forms and can take place just about anywhere, including the reading of labels and signs, and in magazines and comics. Parents and carers should record the daily reading activity in your child's reading record. We aim to change book bags every **Monday**.

#### Additional homework tasks

Class teachers will set a 'homework menu' this term. This will contain a range of activities and subjects which children and families may choose to complete. The tasks and activities on this menu are **optional**.

### PE

This term, our PE lessons will take place on **Monday** afternoons. Your child should wear a PE kit to school on that day. As our lessons will be outside, please ensure your child has suitable footwear for running on the playground and/or field.

We hope your child will have a happy and settled start in term 6.

Yours sincerely,

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