

In this subject we will look at the importance of telling stories, and the significance of stories in holy books. We will consider how holy books should be treated and develop respect and tolerance for others.

**HISTORY** In history we will look at toys played with in the past and compare them with toys today.

A trip to Portland Basin Museum has been arranged for January 2018.

### **Useful Websites**

\*BBC Bitesize Key Stage 1http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/

\*BBC Schools Key Stage 1http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/4 11/

\*Phonics play http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/

Thank you for your continued support. It is very much appreciated.

Miss Lumb 2L and Miss Coghlan 2C.



### Weekly Routine

<u>PE-</u>This this will now take place on a Thursday for 2L and Friday 2C.

Homework-English and Maths are given on a THURSDAY and should be completed and handed in on MONDAY.

Spellings-Spellings are given on a FRIDAY to be learnt for the following FRIDAY.

Reading-Reading books are changed once a week. We like the children to read their books at least 5 times so that they understand the story and can talk about it. Children also need to practise reading the Common Exception Words at the back of the reading record.

## Year 2 Newsletter-January 2018

Welcome back to school and to the New Year. We continue to be very busy in school continuing planning and delivering a stimulating curriculum for your child. We value your continued support during the spring term. Please take a few moments to read this newsletter.

#### We can write!

In Literacy this term we will be focusing on performance poetry, with a poet visiting our school. We will be exploring nonfiction texts about old toys and materials then writing reports about what we find out.

Later in the term we will be reading a variety of narrative texts, and writing our own stories.

Reading and phonics play a very important role in your child's ability to write well. We encourage the children to read for enjoyment, whether it be a book, comic, take away menu or bus time table. Try to ask your child questions about what they have read.

There will be a greater emphasis on applying **spellings**, **punctuation** and **grammar** skills in all areas of writing this term.



# Countdown

In maths we will be focusing on applying multiplication and division facts in problem solving. Our daily practise in 'Rock Star Times Tables is working well. We will continue to develop our skills of adding and subtracting two 2 digit numbers and the methods used.

We will be using money, shape, measures including time in problem solving.

Children need to learn their number bonds to 10 and 20, and their times tables, 2s, 3s, 5s, and 10s.



# Science Professor!

#### **Materials**

We will be identifying and comparing the suitability of everyday materials including wood, metal, plastic, brick rock, paper, and cardboard for particular uses.

We will look at the properties of some materials, and explain why an object is made of a certain material. We will identify materials that are transparent, translucent or opaque.

#### **Animals including Humans**

In class we will be comparing the different stages of development for humans and animals and what they need to survive.