



Dear Parents,

6<sup>th</sup> September 2019

We hope you have enjoyed your summer holiday and that your child is enthusiastic to return to school as a Dolphin, Penguin or Turtle! We enjoyed meeting your child during 'Swap Over Day' and have worked hard with the Year One team to ensure a smooth transition. We are looking forward to working with your child this year.

This term our topics are **'Oh I do like to be beside the seaside!'** and **Amazing Animals**. The children will be learning through research, investigation and a creative approach. We have planned many exciting learning opportunities and have included a topic web with this letter explaining the curriculum areas we will be covering; this is also on our school website.

We have planned an exciting trip to Brighton Sealife Centre on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September, where your child will have the opportunity to discover the characteristics of a seaside and participate in several activities to support their learning. We will need parents to come with us on this day, so if you are able to help, please speak to your child's class teacher.

We will also be making our own seaside aquariums using a shoe box, so if you have not yet thrown away this year's new shoes box, please keep them; we will need the boxes later in the term, thank you.

School starts at 8.50am and learning starts immediately with morning challenges designed to extend and reinforce your child's learning. Your support in ensuring your child is prompt and ready for a day of learning is much appreciated.

This year, for PPA, the children will be taking part in Multisport lessons run by George Hyde on a Wednesday, which was a very popular activity last year. As we will be going outside for PE, it is important your child has clothing suitable for both warm and colder weather, e.g. shorts as well as tracksuit trousers.

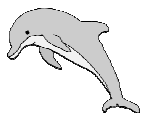
Just a reminder that in your child's book bag you will find their Home School Link book and Reading Record book. Please take a moment to read the information glued to the inside of these books. The Reading Record book is where book titles and comments regarding your child's reading should be written by you. Children will be selecting their own books but school will not be writing the title in the Reading Record book. We will be looking at the Reading Record books on a weekly basis. If you have a question you need answered or any other concern please write this in the Home School Link book. Thank you.

If you would like to volunteer in school, we are always happy to welcome you ☺.

Many parents who have been able to come into school to support children in the class, listen to readers and help with filing etc, have found it to be an extremely valuable experience for both themselves and their child. You could volunteer on a regular basis or a more ad-hoc basis when you have a spare morning, afternoon or hour. We are very friendly and are happy to accommodate you with whatever you feel comfortable in doing.

**Our Year 2 parent meeting will be on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 9am in the hall** and will focus on reading in Year Two. This is an important opportunity for you to learn more about what and how your child will be learning this term so it would be extremely beneficial for you to attend.

If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to come and speak to us.  
Thank you



Katharine Staples & Susie Care  
Dolphin Class



Emily Ritchie & Jackie Doyle  
Turtle Class



Ellie Day & Sue Barnes  
Penguin Class

## **Year Two Diary Dates – Autumn Term 2019**

### **September**

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> – Back to school!  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> – Year Two Parent Meeting 9.00 in the hall  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – Jeans for Genes Day  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> – School Grounds Working Party  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> – Year Two Trip to Brighton Sealife Centre  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> – MacMillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> – Individual photographs

### **October**

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> – Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 7.00pm  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> – Dolphins Class Assembly at 9.10am  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> – Parent Consultations 3.30pm – 7.00pm  
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Turtles Class Assembly 9.10am  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> – Penguins Class Assembly 9.10am

## **28<sup>th</sup> October – 1<sup>st</sup> November - Half Term**

### **November**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> – School Closed for children**

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> – Back to School**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> – Flu SNIFF nurses in school  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> - Anti Bullying Week  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – Children in Need Day  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> – Road Safety Week

### **December**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Fair  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Year 2 Christmas Play 2.00pm  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Year 2 Christmas Play 9.10am  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Dinner Day  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Jumper Day  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – Party Day  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> – Break up for Christmas at 1.45

### **January**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Back to school  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> – Year Two Parent Meeting 9.00 in the hall