



### Our Monthly Value

This month our value is 'Unity'. Please discuss the meaning of the value with your child and how you can show this value.

### Key dates

- Homework due **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October**.
- Last day of term **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**
- School returns **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**.

### Welcome to Year 2

We are very pleased and excited to be welcoming the pupils into Year 2 for the start of the new term. We hope that you have all had a relaxing and restful summer break! As our pupils move into Year 2, they are beginning a very exciting time in their education. We look forward to seeing each and every one of them grow and flourish as the year progresses.

### Your Year 2 Team

Ms Stannett-Daborn - Acer

Mr Stafford– Beech

Ms McCulloch and Mrs Bevan– Cedar

Ms Bennett - Sycamore

Please check the website for more information.

### English

In English, we will be learning about settings within fiction texts. Children will learn how to create a detailed setting and how to write a portal story. They will create story maps to create their own written piece and use drama and role play to support their learning.

**You can help:** Together, read a variety of stories with different settings and identify the adjectives and adverbials of manner.

### Maths

In Mathematics, we will be learning about place value. We will be learning how to read, count and order numbers to 100. We will learn how to partition numbers and identify the tens and ones within each number. We will also learn how to count in multiples of ten.

**You can help:** Ask your child to count forwards and backwards within 100.

### Science

In Science, we will be learning about human health. This will include learning about healthy eating, the human lifecycle and why good hygiene is important. We will order the lifecycle of a human and discuss how we can keep our body healthy. We will also learn about the five food groups and what a balanced diet is.

**You can help:** Involve you child in making a balanced lunch or dinner recipe.

### Homework

Homework will be sent out each half term. Children have the opportunity to collect **10 points** during each set of homework. These points will be documented in their homework tracker, which will remain at school for the school year.

Please check the date homework is due and ensure homework is not returned after the due date. This allows the class teachers to review, share and return your child's work before the half term break.

## Reminders

### Lunches -

- Send your child in with a named water bottle every day.
- Ensure your child has a healthy lunch with water only. No fizzy/flavoured drinks, crisps or chocolate bars. A school lunch menu is available on the school website.

### Playground/Start of Day –

- Parents should accompany children to school. Year 2 parents to drop off/collect from the **Bannockburn Road** gate. The gates are open for 10 minutes, giving you time to collect without queuing. There is no queue in the last 5 minutes.

### Safe Driving and Parking -

- Please do not drop off children in the middle of the road and avoid stopping/parking on yellow zig-zags. We encourage all families to walk if possible.

### Uniform –

- Ensure that your child's name is written on all of their clothing including bags and P.E clothing.
- No jewellery, including bracelets, necklaces and watches are to be worn with exception of the Kara bracelet worn by Sikhs.

## P.E



In P.E this term, we will be taking part in team building and gross motor skills. The children will:

- Take part in group games.
- Learn how to strategise.
- Use a variety of equipment.
- Learn how to problem solve.
- Learn how to aim, strike and stack.

### Reminders:

Please send your child in in their PE kits on their allocated PE days.

**Acer P.E days – Monday and Thursday**

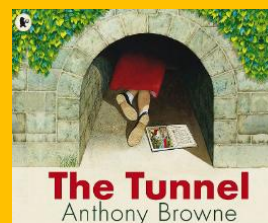
**Beech P.E days –Wednesday and Friday**

**Cedar P.E days – Tuesday and Friday**

**Sycamore P.E days – Monday and Thursday**

## Our topic

This term our topic will be 'Human Nature'. During this topic we will be introducing the children to how we can stay healthy, what good hygiene is and the human life cycle. We will also look at how we can work together and complete a number of team building tasks in P.E. We will be exploring family relationships within books written by the authors, *Anthony Browne* and *Aaron Becker*. Our core text within English this half term will be 'The Tunnel' by Anthony Browne.



## Art and Design Technology

Within Art and Design Technology this term we will be:

- Learning how to sketch facial features to create characters.
- Learning how to sketch the human form.
- Learning how to sketch facial emotions.
- Learn how to make human form sculptures.
- Design and create large scale collages, using a variety of materials.

## R.E

In R.E this term we will be learning about the religion of Hinduism.



We will:

- Learn about Hindu values such as, respect for all living things, caring for others and truthfulness.
- Learn about how Hindus worship in a Mandir.
- Identify ways in which Hindu beliefs are similar to other religious beliefs.

## E-safety

- Please ensure your child is safe when using the internet at home. A reminder to all parents to check the age recommendation when your child is playing online games and using apps.
- It is essential that your child does not share any important information with strangers and discussing this with your child is paramount.
- Check the school website for parent forum/workshops on how you can support your child.



Please visit these useful e-safety websites, offering guidance and advice...

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/schools-esafety>

<https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers>

## Families at Bannockburn

If you can offer to support the school with events, run uniform sales, fundraise through school fairs and community events, this would be very much appreciated.

If you would like to offer your time and be a part of the FAB team, then please get in touch by emailing; [workingtogether@bannockburn.greenwich.sch.uk](mailto:workingtogether@bannockburn.greenwich.sch.uk)



Remember to access our online platforms for Reading and Mathematics. Should you need your child's log in details, please ask your child's teacher.

