

# Year Two Newsletter Spring 1

We hope that you all have had a lovely Christmas break and that the children are ready for another fun-filled half term. We have lots of different activities planned. Our history topic is Florence Nightingale and we will be going on our first school trip to learn more about her life. We will also be growing our own vegetables to use in our DT lessons! If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Widdows (2FW) and Miss Watts (2VW)

## The children will be learning about:

- Suffixes and adverbs in writing
- Florence Nightingale in history
- Collage in art and food preparation in DT
- Dance and rugby in PE
- Algorithms in computing
- Online reputation in internet safety
- How we can make good choices in RE and the consequences of our actions
- Dreams and Goals in PSHE
- Shape and money in maths
- Plants and animals in science

## You can help by:

- Reading with your child regularly and discussing the book they read.
- Practising the spellings your child brings home in their spelling book.
- Encouraging your child to speak in full sentences.
- Encouraging your child to practise writing simple sentences with capital letters and full stops.
- Supporting your child with correct letter and number formation.

## The children will:

- Write their own circular narrative about an adventure along a river.
- Learn how to use conjunctions and expanded noun phrases to add more detail to their writing.
- Explore the properties of different 2D and 3D shapes.
- Recap their knowledge of plants and animals and what they need to survive.
- Explore collage and learn about Henri Matisse.
- Learn about the life and work of Florence Nightingale.
- Think about setting realistic goals and how they can achieve them, the importance of persevering and group work.

## Things to remember:

- Bookbags should be brought into school **each Thursday** with their reading record.
- Outdoor learning lessons are on Tuesdays. Children should bring appropriate clothing for the weather.
- 2FW have PE on Monday and 2VW have PE on Thursday. Children should come to school in their PE kit—white t-shirt, black shorts and trainers. For cooler weather they can wear a black tracksuit.

