

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Year 2! We hope that you all enjoyed the summer break. It has been lovely to welcome the children back into school and to hear about their holiday adventures. We are very excited to be working with the class on their next stage of their learning journey and have some wonderful learning planned to help them to flourish. The children are already rising to the challenge of being in Y2, growing in independence and are embodying our school aim of 'Calm, Kind and Ready to Learn'. We have enjoyed revisiting our school vision and values together, thinking about how our positive behaviour grows happiness in our school family.

Our cross curricular theme this term is **'Where We Live'**. Our big question is; **'What does it mean to belong to a diverse community?'** and we will aim to answer this question throughout our learning. We will be exploring both the geography and history of our local area and thinking about its location within the South-West and United Kingdom. We plan to take the children on trips within the local area to enhance their learning. We will teach the children how to use simple maps and plans and see things from a 'bird's eye view'. We also want to develop the children's sense of community and help them find ways to be good citizens and to appreciate the diversity within Plymouth.

Notes / Routines

Classroom opens each day	8.35am
Registration begins	8.45am
PE	Monday and Friday
Reading Books	Please read daily - books changed on Thursdays
Spelling and Number Facts	Sent out on Friday, tested on Wednesday
Water bottles, uniform and all belongings	All items must be named so that we can return any missing items

Please do come and say hello at the beginning or end of a day. If you have any specific queries or feel able to offer help in any way, please feel free to email us via admin@st-andrews.plymouth.sch.uk

Don't forget that we have 'Meet the Teacher' session arranged for Tuesday 15th September, straight after school. We look forward to seeing you all.

With very best wishes,

The Year 2 team: Mrs Dean, Mrs Line, Miss Haywood & Mrs Cook.