



Year 2 Newsletter

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Topic

We had an excellent day out at Fort Nelson. The children are really inspired by what they learnt about Florence Nightingale. We are continuing with our work on Florence Nightingale and looking particularly on the changes that she made to hospitals and care during the Crimean War and how we can still see some of those changes in hospitals today. In English we are continuing to use 'The Enchanted Wood' to inspire our writing, this week we are writing diary entries as if we are one of the children and next week we are writing instructions. In maths we are focusing on measures, we have been measuring the length of different objects and we are solving addition, subtraction, multiplication and division problems that involve length.

Home Learning

We hope that work is progressing well on the Historical Heroine projects, please see the attached sheet to remind you! We are sure the children have plenty to work on after our trip.

Bottle Flipping

There are an increasing number of broken bottles and particularly bottle lids around at the moment due to bottle flipping. Whilst we understand the excitement of the challenge we are also concerned about the children hurting themselves with heavy bottles of water and cutting themselves with sharp broken plastic. Please help keep our children safe by discouraging bottle flipping with school water bottles. Thank you.

Book Bags

We have noticed that a lot of children have been putting keyrings on their book bags. Although a single keyring is acceptable to help your child identify their book bag, some children have a large amount on their book bags and these are proving to be a distraction. Please can we ask that your child chooses their favourite one and that the rest are removed.

Lacey Library

Just to remind you that Year 2 will be visiting the Lacey library on Monday afternoons in rotation. If you are available to help walk the children to the library, your help would be appreciated, please let your child's class teacher know. If we don't have volunteers to come with us we won't be able to go.

30th January - Class 7

6th February - Class 8

13th February - Class 9

Head Lice

There have been several cases of head lice recently, please ensure you check your child's hair on a regular basis and treat if necessary. If you would like any advice on treating head lice please visit the NHS website <http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/Head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx> or call the Health Visiting and School Nursing Service on 023 9268 4545

Outside PE

A reminder if you have not yet sent your child's PE kit in that we are continuing with inside and outside PE this term. Please ensure that you remove your child's earrings or tape them up for those sessions. Also please ensure your child's hair is tied back on PE days, as this can be a health and safety issue when we are using equipment in PE.

Class 7 – Tuesday/Friday

Class 8 – Wednesday/Friday

Class 9 – Tuesday/Thursday

As always please don't hesitate to ask about anything you're unsure of.

The Year 2 Team

Spring Term – First Half – Home Learning - due in Wednesday 15th February 2017

In our work we will be learning about Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and Enid Blyton.

What can you find out about them?

Here are some useful links and videos to help you.

Florence Nightingale

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=68-vsJhcosg>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ugQ8fd2L9U>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lo5DdRLjkx8>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XkoaMawiZ-o>

Mary Seacole

[http://www.mylearning.org/interactive-](http://www.mylearning.org/interactive-fullscreen.asp?journeyid=281&resourceid=745)

[fullscreen.asp?journeyid=281&resourceid=745](http://www.mylearning.org/interactive-fullscreen.asp?journeyid=281&resourceid=745)

<http://www.thefamouspeople.com/profiles/mary-seacole-6394.php>

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/primaryhistory/famouspeople/mary_seacole/

Enid Blyton

<http://primaryfacts.com/727/enid-blyton-facts/>

http://www.softschools.com/facts/authors/enid_blyton_facts/1410/

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vMh7BUpmZzc>

You can focus on one Historical Heroine or do a bit on each of them.

You can choose to present your findings in any way you wish; for example, a poster, fact file, leaflet, PowerPoint presentation, or a video or audio file.