



# Year 2

## Welcome back...

Welcome back to Lake Farm Park Academy and to your new adventure in Year 2. We hope you've had an enjoyable summer break and are ready to learn.

We hope that Year 1 to Year 2 will be a smooth transition for your children as they are structured in a similar way. To support this transition, please continue to support your child with their learning at home, and by ensuring they attend school with everything they need.

### Dates for your diary

SATs Meeting	06.10.2017 2:30pm
Badger Class Assembly	02.10.17
Otter Class Assembly	09.10.17
Year 2 How to Help Reading	12.10.7
International Week	16.10.17
Fox Class Assembly	16.10.17
Year 2 visit to Synagogue	18.10.17
Training day	20.10.17
Half term	23.10.17- 27.10.17

### Reminders

**School Day:** Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time each day. Teachers will be outside at 8:50 ready to escort the children into class. The doors will close at 8:55 in order to ensure a prompt start for learning.

**Uniform:** Children must come to school wearing the correct uniform. Only black, flat shoes are allowed, no trainers. The correct PE kit must also be worn for PE and Games please ensure your child has tracksuit bottoms and a jumper as they will be participating in out door PE. If you child wears a headscarf please ensure that it is plain black, white or navy. Any hair clips must be of a reasonable size for school.

**Homework:** It is very important that we work together so that your child can consolidate their skills at home. Please ensure that you encourage and support your child with their homework and read together at least 5 times a week. Once your child has read please ensure that their reading record is signed. Your child's book will not be changed otherwise. Homework will be given on Friday and should be returned to school on Tuesday. Each half term your child will also receive a project which will be based around our topic The children will also have weekly spellings which they will be test on every Wednesday.

## Our Year 2 Team

### Badger class

**Mrs Blair**  
(Teacher: Monday- Wednesday)  
**Mrs Razaq**  
(Teacher: Thursday-Friday)  
**Mrs Ive**  
(Learning support assistant)  
**Mrs Kaur**  
(1:1 support)

### Otter class

**Miss Verity**  
(Teacher, Year Team Leader)  
**Miss Poore**  
(Learning support assistant)  
**Mrs Oskoff**  
(1:1 support)

### Fox class

**Miss Whitehead**  
(Teacher)  
**Ms Snow**  
(Learning support assistant)  
**Miss Allen**  
(1:1 support)

KS1 Vice Principal: Mrs Blair



## English

In our English lessons this half term, we will be developing the children's skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening. We will be focusing on Fiction texts and looking at a range of stories from around the world.

### How you can help at home:

*Hearing the children read daily and asking them questions about the book.*

*Supporting them whilst they learn their spellings.*

*Encourage them to retell some of their favourite stories. You could even create actions.*



## Mathematics

In Year 2 we will be following Singapore Maths . During the half term we will be looking at:

- Number and place value
- Addition and subtraction

### How you can help at home:

*Encourage children to use their number skills in everyday life e.g. during a trip to the supermarket.*

Visit :

[www.nparenttoolkit.org.uk](http://www.nparenttoolkit.org.uk)

*For lots of ideas about Maths at home and the new curriculum*

## Science

In Science we are learning about Living things and their habitats. The children will be exploring and comparing the difference between things that are living, dead and things that have never been alive. They will also be looking at animal habitats and what they need to survive.

Homework project: Habitat in a box.



## Computing

During computing lessons the children will be researching animals and creating PowerPoints about their chosen animal. This links well with our Science topic this term.

The children will be learning how to use technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content. They will understand how use technology safely and respectfully, keeping personal information private; identify where to go for help and support when they have concerns about content or contact on the internet or other online technologies.

## Topic: Great Wonders of the World

Our topic this half term is 'Great Wonders of the World'. The children will travelling around the world. During the topic children will be using their geographical skills to name and locate the world's seven continents and five oceans. They will explore similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography in different countries. They will be using world maps, atlases and globes to identify the United Kingdom and its countries, as well as the countries, continents and ocean. The children will be taught simple compass directions to describe the location.

Throughout the topic the children will be participating in any Art and DT activities where they will be using arrange of different mediums and materials to create sculpture and pieces of art work.

In RE we will be comparing religions, our focus religions for this half term are Christianity and Judaism.

During music the children will be learning to play the recorder. They will be focusing on how to keep a beat and rhythm .