Dear Parents / Carers,

**Welcome to Year 2**

We hope that everyone is having a lovely summer break and that you are excited to start Year 2 in September. We hope the information below will provide you and your child with the information you need for starting Year 2 in September.

Our curriculum in September will be based around a story by the author Jeanne Willis about a magical creature who lives in the woods. In English we will be focusing on describing the characters and retelling the story. We hope that the children will continue to make good progress with their early reading through the Read Write Inc. Phonics scheme that the school adopts. In our Maths lessons, we will be focusing on number and place value, children will be provided with the opportunity to explore the composition of numbers using practical resources. Our Prime Learning Challenge is ‘Who was the bravest explorer?’ This will be a History led theme where we will be finding out about the lives of significant individuals in the past. In Science we will be learning about living things and their habitats. We are very excited about our planned trip to Nell Bank activity centre to further enhance our learning.

PE Days:

Class 2:1 Friday

Class 2:2 Wednesday

Class 2:3 Friday

In addition to their class PE slot, children will have additional PE on a Thursday as part of the PPA provision. Dates for this will be added to the school website.

**Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit on their designated day.**

**The PE kit uniform will consist of:**

**· Plain black joggers or shorts – no branding or additions**

**· Plain black sweatshirt or hoody – no branding or additions**

**· Plain black trainers – no branding or additions**

**· Plain white t-shirt – no branding or additions**

Please note that ear rings should not be worn for PE and should be removed for the day prior to leaving home or tape applied. Long hair should be tied back at all times.

**To be clear, it is ok to wear PE kit to school on PE days so no changing takes place.**

**Reading**

Your child will be given a reading book and a reading journal to bring home and read each week. Please can you write a comment in their reading journal when they read with you at home. They will receive dojo points for this. ***They will need to keep their reading journal and book in their book bags to bring to school every day.***

**Water Bottles**

Children need to bring in a named water bottle into school every day. This must be filled with water and not juice.

**Homework**

In addition to reading their book, children will be expected to complete the following activities each week:

My Maths activity

Times tables rock stars (logins will be given out for this in September)

Spellings to learn

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Rankin, Mrs Kershaw and Miss Faulkiner

Year 2 staff.