



ALBAN WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

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Mrs Rachel Kirk, Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you had a wonderful break and managed to relax and that you are ready for the new term. Our topic this term is Important People. We hope to link as much learning as possible to the theme of Important People.

Children in Year 2 will learn about the following this term:

English	We will cover a range of narrative, non-fiction, picture and chapter books this term. Our units will be – Traditional Stories, Information Texts, Diaries and Non-Chronological Reports. Where possible we will try to create as many cross curricular links as possible to look at important people throughout our units in creative ways.
Maths	To start the term we will focus on place value. We will further develop our skills of partitioning, ordering and estimating. We will then move to using all four operations, learning new methods and consolidating what we have already learnt. Later on in the term we will also look at 2D and 3D shape, statistics, money and real life problems, measures, fractions before finishing with position and direction.
Science	Electricity and Natural and Man Made Materials
History	Important People: We will be learning about Queen Elizabeth I, Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole, Isambard Brunel, William Caxton and also thinking about the people important to us in the community.
Design Technology & Art	Portraits
RE	Stories
PE	Dance and Games
Computing	Getting Creative
P4C	Learning behaviour with a focus on respect and anti-bullying at Alban Wood

If you have any books or resources that would support our learning this term please bring them in. Please make sure they are named. Thank you in advance!

Reading

All children are expected to bring in their reading books and reading records **every day**. Please fill in their reading record when they read at home. We will continue with the Reading Challenge this term. In Year 2 the children will be expected to become more independent and it will be their responsibility to put their reading folders into a box to be changed – if they do not do this, they will not be changed. This term Library books will be changed on a **Tuesday**.

Homework

As well as reading at home regularly, the children will be expected to complete **one homework task a week**. In each child's homework book there is a home learning grid where they can choose from a range of activities. There may be weeks where additional homework is sent home. Please could parents / carers date and sign to show when the task has been completed. Homework can be handed in at any point during the week and we will try to mark and return it as promptly as we can. Homework Club will continue this year on Tuesday and Thursday during lunchtime. Please also continue to practise spellings and times tables at home.

PE

We will have PE on **Thursday and Friday** this term but it would be helpful if the children had their PE kit in throughout the week in case we have to swap a PE day. Please make sure that **all PE kit and uniform is named**. Outdoor PE is on a Friday.

Best wishes for the term ahead.

Miss Maclean



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