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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to another school term.

We would like to inform you about our curriculum plan for the first half term. Year 2 will be learning about **Black History Month** as their topic focus this term.

Subject	Content
Maths	This half term we will be focusing on place value. The children will be counting objects using tens and ones and will be representing numbers in a variety of different ways. We will be looking at partitioning numbers to 100 and we will begin to look at estimation using number lines. We will also begin to look at addition and subtraction this half term. Children will learn about fact families and adding and subtracting across a 10.
English	The children will be focusing on the books 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' by Lauren Child and 'Wolves' by Emily Gravett this half term. For the first couple of weeks, the children will focus on creating character descriptions, wanted posters and story retelling relating to the book 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. Towards the end of term, children will be focusing on creating non-chronological reports, character descriptions and comparisons relating to the book 'Wolves'.
PSHCE/SEAL	 The topic will be How am I feeling? The children will learn: To recognise and name a range of feelings. To understand how feelings can change based on different things. To know that feelings can affect people's behaviour. To understand there are ways to manage a range of feelings. To know the importance of sharing their feelings with someone they trust. To know how to ask for and give/not give permission regarding physical contact.
History	In History, the children will be learning about Black History Month as their topic focus this term. Children will study the importance of Black History Month, three inspiration figures who are Mary Seacole, Martin Luther King Jr and Nelson Mandela. Children will participate in a carnival to celebrate Black History Month.







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Art	In art, the children will be learning about primary and secondary colours. We are going to explore how to make different textures and our final art piece will be a collage of a landscape.
Science	The focus in Science this half term will be Animals including Humans. Your child will learn about the basic needs that all humans need to survive and live.
PE	In their PE lessons, the children will be focusing on developing their Gymnastics skills.
RE	This half term, children will be focusing on the religions Hinduism . Specifically, they will be focusing on the major festival within the religion which is 'Navratri'. Throughout the term, children will be learning about the stories and traditions within this festival.
Music	This half term the focus will be 'West African Call and Response Song'. The children will be learning to play in time with their group and use tempo, dynamics and timbre in their piece. The children will learn to sing back melody lines in time and at the correct pitch and they will play either a call or response role in time with another pupil.

Homework:

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Reading	You can support your child at home further by reading at home with them for at least 20 minutes every day. Their reading books will be changed on a weekly basis. When you read with your child, please write a comment in their reading record book.
	Do encourage children to sound out unfamiliar words and think carefully about the meaning of these words based on the context in which they have been used.
	By the end of Year 2, the reading speed for a child should be 90 words per minute. They will also need to know how to read with expression.
	Reading book changes Friday







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Maths	Please support your child to develop quick recall of their times tables for 2,
	5, and 10 and associated division facts. Mental maths is very important,
	and the children can develop this skill by trying to calculate a shopping
	total when purchasing small items with you, and trying to calculate the
	amount of change they should receive.

Children are required to wear their PE kits to school on the relevant days.

PE days for each class are as follows:

Tulip Class- Thursday Lily Class- Wednesday Poppy - Thursday

We are looking forward to having a fantastic half term with many exciting and new topics to learn about. Should you have any questions about your child's learning this half term, please come and speak to us.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Thoms, Ms Sultana and Ms Cockle



