

Week beginning: 27.09.21



Dear Parents/Carers,

**English** - In English we will be introducing the story 'The Storm Whale' by Benji Davies. We will begin by making careful predictions based on the front cover and the title and encourage the children to give reasons to support their thinking. The children will then be focusing on the middle of the story and sequencing the main events retelling what happened. Later in the week, after examining examples of instructions and identifying their features, we will be using these key events to help us plan and write our own set of instructions for 'How to look after a whale'.

**Maths** - In maths we will be focusing on number facts involving addition and subtraction this week. We will be looking at number bonds and showing how we can use one number bond fact to find 3 others e.g. If we know  $4 + 6 = 10$ , we also know  $6 + 4 = 10$ ,  $10 - 4 = 6$  and  $10 - 6 = 4$ . We will be recapping on the key vocabulary used in addition and subtraction such as add, plus, more, total, answer, altogether, subtract, take away, less, minus and equals. The children will be introduced to the term commutative, which means that addition can be done in any order.

**PSHE** - In PSHE we are learning about the Zones of Regulation. We will be focusing on how our behaviour affects others and how it can change the way the people around us feel.

**Art** - This week in art we will be comparing and contrasting the work of different artists. We will be looking at The Great Wave by Hokusai, The Sea at Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer by Van Gogh, The Ninth Wave by Ivan Aivazovsky, and Impression, Sunrise by Claude Monet and identifying similarities and differences.

**Science** - This week we will be continuing to learn about everyday materials and their uses. We will be considering the different properties of different materials and thinking about how it makes them suitable or unsuitable for different purposes.

**Computing** - In Computing we will be exploring Purple Mash and using 2Sequence to create and edit music.

**Reading** - Please read with your child every night for 10 minutes and ask them questions about the book. Books will be changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

**PE Reminders** - Year 2 will have PE on the following days: \* **Leopards - Monday**  
\* **Tigers and Lions - Tuesday**

Our Multi-Sport lessons will be on Wednesday morning.

**Thank you!** 😊

**A HUGE thank you again for all the junk modelling materials you kindly donated to us to enable us to complete our DT projects over the last couple of weeks. We really appreciate it. We have now completed our project and no longer need junk modelling for the time being.**

**Polite reminder - Please return your Marvellous Me permission slips if you haven't already done so.**

**Key Dates:**

**W/C 4<sup>th</sup> October - Feel Good Week (more information to come soon)**

**7<sup>th</sup> October - Reading and Writing Workshop (9.15-10.15am and 6-7pm)**

**12<sup>th</sup> October - Individual School Photographs**

**13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> October - Year 2 Shared Learning 9:05-9:30am (parents will be asked to sign up to one slot nearer the time)**

**21<sup>st</sup> October - Last day of Half Term (Usual pick up time)**

**1<sup>st</sup> November - Inset Day**

If you have any questions or concerns, regarding your child, please see your child's class teacher.

Thank you for you continued support,  
The Year 2 Team 😊