

Macaulay Term 1 Class Newsletter



YEAR 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely summer holiday and were able to enjoy plenty of time together. We are looking forward to this Autumn term with the children. They have settled in beautifully so far and seem ready for the challenges and learning of the upcoming year. Year 2 is an exciting and busy year with plenty of interesting topics. The children will get the opportunity this year to explore further responsibilities such as acting as 'Lunch Buddies' for Reception class.

This term, we will be focusing on two topics. The first topic is **'Schools Then and Now'**, where we will develop our historical understanding and skills of chronology and understanding sources. In our second half term we start a new topic of **'Hot and Cold'**, where we will look in more depth at different geography skills, looking at maps and compasses. Please refer to the website for more information.

We are looking forward to our first Year 2 trip to the Natural History Museum. This trip will enhance the children's learning and we will go to an ocean habitat immersive show.

If you have any concerns please contact me by email as elee@macaulay.lambeth.sch.uk.

Many thanks for all your support so far this term.
Best wishes,

Ellie Lee
Year 2 teacher

Key dates for this term:

Natural History Museum Trip

Monday 6th October

Other key dates will be emailed through to you once they have been confirmed.



Homework

Homework tasks are sent out each week on a Friday and should be returned by the following Thursday.

Year 2 Homework includes:

- spellings to learn based upon the words and patterns we have looked at in school.
- maths tasks, including a number challenge.
- topic or science or English work

PE

PE lessons in Year 2 take place on Wednesday (KICK coach) and Friday. All children are expected to come in uniform and bring in the following kit on those days to change:

- Navy blue Macaulay logo t-shirt
- Navy blue shorts or jogging bottoms.
- A navy blue sweatshirt or school jumper can be worn.
- Please name all items!

Reading

Reading every night for 5-10 minutes is really important. If you could make any notes that might be helpful for us in school this would be great. Please take note of the pages your child has read so we know where to pick up with your child when we hear them in school.

Your child might feel confident enough to do this themselves as we go through the year.

They will have 2/3 books.

- An oxford reading tree book/school reading book.
- A 'phonics' book based around decoding from phase 1-6.
- A 'reading for pleasure' book from the book corner, this may be a book they read with you or have read to them.

Reading at home doesn't always have to be the school books. If they are reading a magazine or something from the library or even a menu if you're out, every little helps!

