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Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

We have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for this term, including our upcoming trip to Portsmouth. We hope that this newsletter will give you all of the information you need about our topics and learning this term. Our topic is history based and is all about Admiral Lord Nelson and the battle of Trafalgar. In science, our new unit is called the 'Apprentice Gardner' and children will learn to identify seeds and understand how to grow a healthy plant. At the end of the term we will be writing recounts about our trip to Portsmouth Harbour. Please speak to us if you have any further questions about the trip and what we have planned for the day.

Dates for your diary

- Year 2 trip to Portsmouth: Tuesday 20th March – Children to arrive at school by 8.15am; we expect to return to school by 3.10pm (please note the early start). Children will be expected to arrive via the school Main Office and will be registered in the main hall with their class teacher before being taken to the coach.

Homework

The children will continue to get homework on a Friday which needs to be completed by Wednesday. Children will be given bonus house points for completing this as we really want to encourage this important work. As well as the weekly homework, daily reading along with practising of the 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables will really benefit your child before they transition to Key Stage 2. If you have any questions about how you can further support your child's progress, then please do not hesitate to ask at the forthcoming parents evening.

PE

P.E. is every **TUESDAY** for children in Year 2. Children will need to wear P.E. kits which consists of: shorts, t-shirt and plimsolls for indoor sessions. Please ensure that all P.E. kit is named and in a drawstring bag to hang on their peg. PE kits will be sent home at the end of every half-term to be washed.

Reading books

Reading books will be changed on a weekly basis this term during a guided reading session with the teacher. We would ask you to read with your child for a few minutes every night – this really

does benefit their reading progress and supports us enormously (thank you in advance).
Remember to sign the reading record and make a comment in order to assist us in making a judgement on your child's reading band.

Library

In Year 2, we visit the school library on a Monday and this will give your child the chance to choose a library book to share with you at home. Please encourage children to return it the following week as this will instil a strong sense of responsibility.

Morning Messages

Please let us know about any different home time arrangements for your child for instance going home with a friend or grandparent. We will not let your child leave the school premises without notification of this.

Belongings and Jewelry

Please ensure that all of your child's belongings are clearly named. Remember jewelry is not permitted in school except for small studs in the ears. Please also remind children that they are not allowed bring in any toys or trinkets into school. The safest place for these special things is in their home.

Water Bottles

Please provide your child with a named drinks bottle for them to use during the day. These can be refilled in the classroom and the children can bring them home for washing daily.

In addition, it is important for your child to attend school every day in order to keep up with their learning and be immersed in the school's curriculum.

Please remember that we are always available to answer any queries or concerns and you are welcome to talk to us at the start or end of each day if you need to share any information. Obviously there is more time at the end of the day if you need a quiet word. We are available everyday but if you need a quick response, leave a message in the office and we will ring you back as soon as possible.

Kind regards,

Mr Omoyinmi

Miss Jones

Mrs King

Mrs Gardner

Mrs Girling.