LOSELEY FIELDS

PRIMARY SCHOOL







September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Year 2!

We have been really impressed with the way the children have settled into the new school year. They have demonstrated a positive attitude towards their learning and are displaying a growing independence and responsibility in all aspects of their school life. The children are very excited about the first topic and are fast becoming experts about ancient civilisations.

This term's topic

'Cradle of Civilisation'

We will be learning about the Ancient Egyptians and comparing them to other ancient civilisations.

This will include understanding how they lived and what they believed in, the importance of rivers and how archaeology and evidence from the past has helped us.

Upcoming topics for this year are:

- Who do you think you are?
- Innovation and Legacy
- Lands of Ice and Fire
- Invaders, raiders or traders part 1
- Invaders, raiders or traders part 2

P.E.



Mondays and Wednesdays

Educational Trips and Onsite events

Trips and topic days are always a highlight for everyone. This half term, the children will experience Ancient Egyptian Day on Thursday 19th October. Please refer to the parentmail for more information about this.

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Home Learning

Home Learning grids – These will be available on Seesaw at the beginning of each half-term. Your child will have 6 weeks to complete at least 5 tasks of their choice. Please upload these to Seesaw once they have completed each one.

Reading – Children will be provided with a reading book at their specific reading level. Please read a few pages every day and write a comment in their reading record. It is important that children are reading regularly as this boosts their reading progress and confidence. Please ensure that children have their books in school each day as they may be required to read to an adult. We are encouraging children to read books 2-3 times as this supports their fluency and comprehension so books will be changed on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Learning in school

English

Over the course of the year, the children will use a variety of ways to explore high quality texts such as drama, visualisation and art. They will develop skills to produce fiction and non-fiction writing that include using a range of punctuation accurately, adventurous vocabulary, spelling many common exception words accurately and writing with precursive handwriting. The children will read and listen to range of texts in dedicated reading lessons which will develop comprehension skills and have time dedicated to spelling and grammar.

Maths

Mental arithmetic is of great importance this year, with a particular focus on counting in 1s, 2s, 5s and 10s. The children will learn and develop a range of strategies to solve addition, subtraction, division and multiplication calculations. Please support your child in counting, learning number bonds to 10, 20 and 100 as well as the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Any help is appreciated. However, if you are unsure of the various strategies used for calculations, please speak to your child's class teacher. This half term we are particularly focusing on number and place value of 2-digit numbers, addition and subtraction of 2-digit numbers, multiplication and division, 2D and 3D shape, measure and telling the time.

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Uniform

The children have started the year looking very smart and your help with this is appreciated. Please remember that jewellery (apart from plain studs) is not allowed in school and shoes should be appropriate for the school environment (no heeled shoes allowed due to the surface of the new trim trail). Hair gel and closely shaven hair is not permitted along with hair pieces. Mid-length and long hair must be tied back at all times. Please ensure all items are named, as without, we cannot guarantee items will make their way back to their owners.

P.E. kits should be brought into school and kept in school. Indoor PE kit is the Loseley PE t-shirt and navy shorts. Outdoor PE kit is the Loseley t-shirt and navy shorts (navy joggers when it gets colder). In line with our PE policy, earrings are not allowed to be worn in PE lessons. Please remove earrings at home on PE days (Mondays and Wednesdays).

Year 2 Staff

Mrs Day - Pegasus Teacher Mr Etherton – Lepus Teacher Mrs Wilson – year group cover Mrs Cotton – Pegasus TA Miss Wilson – Lepus TA Please remember we are a NUT FREE school



We hope your child enjoys the year ahead. If there are any problems, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office email on info@loseleyfields.surrey.sch.uk.

Many thanks for your continued support.

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