# Year 2 Newsletter No.1 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016



## We are Flying Doctors!



Welcome to Year 2. I hope you and your child have enjoyed the summer break and I look forward to working with you during the coming year.

This half term our topic is **Fire**, **Fire**! We will be finding out about the Great Fire of London and exploring the role of fire fighters and the emergency services.

This week in **Mathematics** we have been focussing on counting, writing numbers to 100, place value and comparing numbers using the greater than symbol.

Our **English** work has linked to the Julia Donaldson story about Zog the dragon. The children have created story maps. We have been finding out about adjectives and made lists of adjectives to describe Zog the dragon. We have also explored past and present tense in sentences and used past tense to write about events from the summer holidays.

In Science we are looking at Materials and in Music we have begun exploring rhythm and pulse and started learning songs. Our ICT work this week has focused on E-Safety and ways to keep safe when using computers, other devices and when accessing websites. This links to our British Values.



### How you can help...

### Homework this week:

- Reading Your child has been provided with new reading books this week. Books will be changed each week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Please spend 10 minutes every day reading or sharing a book with your child.
- Next week your child will bring home their homework • books with English and Mathematics tasks. They will also bring home their spelling and times tables. Homework will usually be set on a Thursday for collection on Monday.

### Things to remember...

### PE Kits

Your child's PE lessons are on Thursday. Please ensure your child has a full PE kit available in school next week if you have not already sent one into school. Thank you.

#### Water Bottles

It has been particularly warm in school this week. Your child may bring a water bottle into class to use during lessons. Please make sure that any water bottles are clearly marked with your child's name and year group. **Diary dates:** 

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September – Class 2 Welcome Meeting @ 6pm.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September – St Christopher's Family Service @ 10am.



# <u>Next Week – We are Fire Fighters!</u>

Next week is we will begin looking at the location of London and begin researching the Great Fire of London in our **Topic** work.

In **DT** we will look at emergency vehicles and begin planning 3d models of fire engines as well as setting up our small world and a role play Fire Station.

In our **English** work we will be looking at the story of George and the Dragon at the Fire Station to write narratives and improve our sentences by adding adjectives when writing.

In **Mathematics** we will continue comparing numbers and look at rounding numbers to the nearest ten using a number line. We will be ordering sets of numbers and recalling number facts. Your child will also be introduced to the x10 table.

Our **RE** work this week will focus on Harvest and how we can those who do not have a good harvest.





A big "thumbs up" to **all** our new class members. It has been a super first week back at school and everyone has settled in well to their new classroom routines, many of whom have demonstrated consistent **Outstanding Behaviour** this week! Keep it up!



Special "Rise & Shine Sunshine" Award for showing Friendship – George Gover

> Thank you for all your help and support, Mrs. Ramsay