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Dear Parent,

Welcome back to school. We hope you all had a lovely holiday and are ready for a busy year in Year 2.

Our topic for this half term is "Island Adventures" which will cover many aspects of the curriculum. As part of our topic, we will be looking at oceans and continents. After half term our topic will be called "Winter Celebrations" where we will be exploring winter festivals including Christmas and Bonfire Night.

We will be doing PE twice a week. Lessons will take place every **Wednesday** and **Thursday**. Children will need to have appropriate kit suitable for indoor (white T shirt, shorts, plimsolls) and outdoor PE (jogging bottoms, sweater, trainers) and this should be available in school at all times.

Your child will receive a KIRF (Key Instant Recall Fact) target involving number facts such as times tables, addition and subtraction facts and doubles/halves. Please work on these number facts with your child each week, as the practise that your child does will underpin and support them in their written maths work in school. There will be a KIRF test on a Monday morning which will give the teachers the opportunity to see if children have learnt the facts by heart. Remember that practising little and often is more helpful than having one big session every now and again, and that it can be practised any time there is a spare moment: on the way to school, in the car, or even whilst getting ready for bed! Your child will also receive a weekly spelling task.

Your child would greatly benefit from reading regularly at home. Please don't forget to write a quick comment in the blue reading record whenever your child reads at home.

This year your child will be visiting the library once a week with their teacher. In addition they will also get the opportunity to visit the library independently during some lunch times.

Please could we ask that all of your child's clothing and equipment (including their lunch boxes and book bags) is clearly labelled with their name. This makes it easier to return stray belongings to their rightful owner!

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to come and talk to us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Bannister, Miss Dickson, Miss Tyler and Miss Atkinson

