



SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER

YEAR 2



Welcome back and Happy New Year!

I hope you had a lovely Christmas holiday and have recharged your batteries ready to continue working hard in 2018. There are lots of exciting events happening this half term including a visit from an athlete and our class assembly! Below you will find a short summary of what will be covered throughout this jam-packed half-term.

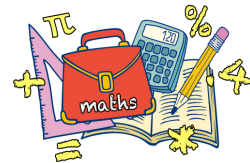
English

We will start the term by reading the story 'The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark' by Jill Tomlinson to find out about nocturnal animals, before collecting facts about them to write an information report. We will then be learning about the life and legacy of Florence Nightingale, stepping into her shoes to write diary entries of her experiences in Scutari. New grammar terms will also be introduced such as exclamation marks, apostrophes for possession and using the past tense accurately.



Maths

This half term we will continue using money to improve our understanding of take-away problems by finding change of amounts. As well as investigating the properties of 3D shapes and begin to apply what we have learnt so far to solve calculation problems independently.



Our foundation subject topics for this term are:

Science— Materials

History— Florence Nightingale

RE— Jewish Festival of Passover

PE - Ball Games and Gymnastics

Art — Painting and Observation

Music— Storytelling and Weather

DT - Design and make paper lanterns

Passover

This half term we will be learning about the Jewish festival of Passover. An important event in the Jewish calendar to remember and celebrate how the people of Israel left slavery behind as they were led out of Egypt by Moses over 3000 years ago. Children will learn about the story of Moses, the significance of the Passover meal as well as other Jewish practises to signify their respect to God.



Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or problems throughout the term.