



# St Mark's CE Primary School

*'Loving to Learn, Learning to Love'*



## Year 2 - Newsletter

### Summer 1

#### 'Why do we love to be beside the seaside?'

This half term the children will be learning about how geographical areas are similar or different. We will be looking at which human and physical features are evident at the coast. Have you ever taken a trip to the seaside?

We would love to find out where you have been and see some photographs!

#### English

If your child is taught RWI spelling by Mrs Thorley, please ensure that they complete their spelling homework each week.

It would be great if your child could learn how to read and spell the words in the middle of their reading log too.

This half term we will become poets! In lessons we will explore the poem 'Mrs Sprocket has a strange machine' before innovating our own version.

We will then be questioning whether the wolf in Little Red Riding Hood really was BIG and BAD by reading 'The Wolf's Story...'

#### Reading

Thank you again to those parents who hear their children read every night at home. It is making a tremendous difference to their reading and the children are proud of their abilities. Some of our children will be taking the phonics screening check in the next couple of weeks. Mrs Colclough/Miss Akhtar will notify you if your child will be taking the assessment.

This half term we will be having a big focus on 'home learning'. Most children complete superb homework each week and it would be amazing if we could get every child doing so.

We would really appreciate your support in making sure that your child completes one task of their choice to a good standard each week. Your children are all stars and we can't wait to see what they can create! 😊

#### Maths

Over the next half term, the children will be naming, classifying and describing the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. Which ones can you spot in your homes?

We will also continue our learning journey around the value of money. Why not set your child a challenge to calculate amounts/change given during a trip to your local shop?

Please continue to access TTRS with your child as this is having a great impact in terms of their fluency with number.

#### Celebrating our local area

Spring has sprung! Make the most of the new season and explore the beautiful nature (and the playground) at Hanley Park.

Did you know that the new City Central Library offers free Lego and Craft clubs most Saturdays? Why not take a trip there and spend some time with all of the family?

Plus so many more exciting places to visit...!

#### P.E.

2C – Tuesday (Mrs Colclough)

2A – Thursday (Miss Akhtar)

Please make sure that children come to school wearing the correct PE kit and that it has their name in it.

Children should not be wearing earrings on PE days.