








November 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Please find below an overview of learning in this half term, leading up to Christmas.

Year 2	
Core text for English Supplementary texts	'Coming Home' 'The Snowman' 'Robin's Winter Song'
English focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Writing a letter• Writing in first person• Tenses, past and present• Word classes
Phonics focus	Set 3 consolidation, Write Inc scheme Free online resources from Oxford Owl
Maths focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place value• Measurement: in mass• Time• Geometry: properties of 2D and 3D shapes• Statistics: Compare and sort shapes.
RE focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Signs and Symbols• Advent: preparing for the arrival of Jesus• Hinduism - focus on Diwali
'Faith In Action'	We will be raising money for Missions together, Missio, by collecting spare change in a small red box which will be sent home soon. We continue to focus on charity at the heart of our faith throughout the year.
Foundation subject topics - geography, science, Music, RE and PSHE	Geography: Weather in the UK Science: Animals including humans PSHE: Behaviour; bullying; words and actions; respect for other Music: Christmas Carols DT: Cooking and Nutrition
PE days (and kit expectations)	Monday & Tuesday - please wear black jogging bottoms/leggings, a white round neck t-shirt and trainers or plimsolls. Please wear your school jumper over the top of your PE kit.

<p>Ways to help at home</p>	<p>Please bring in book bags every Monday and Friday with the reading books and signed record book. Please ensure you are reading with your child at home every evening for a minimum of ten minutes. Please log all reading in your child's reading record.</p> <p>Activities that you could do at home: Play games that use dice, such as ludo, monopoly etc to help develop maths skills. Scrabble is a fun game to play, and helps develop spelling. Reading non-fiction books linked to your child's interests to expand their knowledge.</p> <p>Your child has their own 'Mathletics' username and password. This is a maths website that they have access to play at school and at home. The website is available at http://www.mathletics.co.uk/ and numeracy games can be played from any computer with internet access. It is linked to the national curriculum objectives for your child's year and revises key knowledge and skills. It is not just games! Your child will be able to practise core skills in a fun and exciting way that matches their ability. For more information please feel free to ask any questions or visit the Mathletics home page which will give a clearer idea of the activities available.</p> <p>Your child also has their own username and password for 'Times Tables Rockstars'. It is important that they are able to recall number facts at speed to aid them with their daily maths work. In Year 2, children must know their 2,3,5,10 tables by the end of the academic year to enable them to progress in KS2.</p>
<p>Additional information</p>	<p>Thank you for your continued support with your child's learning. For your information I have put the class email address and the school support email address.</p> <p>Year 2: Year2@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk</p> <p>School Support: support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk</p>
<p>Year 2 Team</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  Mr Puszyk </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Mrs Mortlock </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Mrs Howard </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Mrs Openshaw </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Mrs Williams </div> </div>	

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Year 2 Class Teacher