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To Year 2 Parents / Carers

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope everyone has had a lovely first half of Michaelmas term. It has been a pleasure to get to know our new classes and work on our 'Land Ahoy' topic.

As well as taking time to rest and relax, we would like children to keep reading as much as possible. Children have been given three books to take home this week in order to provide them with more opportunities to read. When reading with the children, please use the reading bookmark to check for understanding. It would also be great for children to practise their handwriting skills (letters as well as numbers) using the letterjoin website.

Simply go to www.letterjoin.co.uk and login with these details:

User name: eg2121 Password: home

In maths, children should continue to practise their number facts (number bonds to 10 and 20, as well as counting in 2s, 5s and 10s) on a weekly basis. We cannot stress enough how important these number facts are to their understanding of maths.

In addition, we have set up various tasks on the Mathletics website to complete during the half term break. A letter has been sent to you today with login details. Five tasks have been set for the children to complete. They are based on the learning we have been doing this half term. Children remember best when they learn or practise small chunks regularly, rather than a large amount in one session. Please encourage them to complete a task at a time, giving it all their attention without rushing it. Scheduling practice across the week is more efficient than cramming it in the night before school restarts. Once these tasks are completed, please do encourage your children to engage in other Mathletics activities available on the website, particularly those that reinforce their knowledge and application of number facts.

Throughout the rest of the year, we will set maths activities for the children to complete on a weekly basis through the Mathletics website. These activities will serve to consolidate our work in class as well as review previous learning. Teachers will be regularly checking that work has been completed by the children.

If you chose to give your children additional supervised screen time, here is a link to the Pinterest board that contains this term's Year 2 French learning https://www.pinterest.co.uk/s_jrme/2019-2020-yr2-french/ and stories: https://www.pinterest.co.uk/s_jrme/histoires-french-stories-ebooks/
Enjoy and encourage your child to tell you what it is all about.

There is also an English phonics Pinterest board, with the sounds covered so far in Year 1 and Year 2, which you might wish to consolidate https://www.pinterest.co.uk/s_jrme/2019-2020-phonics/.

We hope you have a wonderful break and look forward to seeing the children after half term on Tuesday 29th October.

Kind regards,

The Year 2 Team.