

SHERWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 2 SPRING 1 NEWSLETTER



KEY VOCABULARY

plant	a living thing that grows in the ground, usually has leaves or flowers, and needs sun and water to survive.
shoot	new growth from seed germination that grows upward, where leaves will develop.
seedlings	a young plant, especially one raised from seed.
germination	the development of a plant from a seed after a period of dormancy.
bulb	a plant that stores its complete life cycle in an underground storage structure.
develop	to cause (something) to grow or become bigger or more advanced.
physical feature	a feature on Earth's surface that has been formed by nature.
human feature	a feature on Earth's surface that has been built by humans.
local	someone or something from the nearby area.

Spring 1 2025

Welcome back after the Christmas break! We hope you all had an enjoyable time off and are now feeling refreshed and ready to learn! If you do have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

READING BOOKS

Please remember that reading books are changed on a **Tuesday** and a **Thursday** each week. Please make sure children have their **home reading** and **library books** in school every day.

PE KITS

We will be completing our PE sessions on a **Monday** and **Thursday** this half term. Please can we stress that children need to have a **LABELLED** indoor and outdoor PE kit with trainers and pumps.

MOSQUE TRIP

On the 3rd February 2025 the children in Year 2 will be visiting the Masjid-E- Salaam Mosque as part of their Islam topic in RE. More details to follow.

KEY KNOWLEDGE

We would like children to know the history of their local area of Sherwood. The children will make predictions about what they think was here before. They will use historical maps to find out if they were correct. They will look at photographs of the school as it has grown. Which parts of the school are older than others? The children will be able to give a clear explanation of how Sherwood has changed over time and how it continues to change.

THIS HALF TERM WE ARE READING:

This half term we will be reading '**Chilly Billy - The Man who lives in the fridge!**' The children will be reading about Chilly Billy's important job he has! The children will write their own Chilly Billy adventure based on these short stories.

CLASS TEXTS: We are still reading class texts usually at the end of the school day. 2KH are still reading 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl and 2AH will be reading 'I Swapped my Brother on the Internet' by Jo Simmons.

WRITING FOCUS

This half term we will be continuing to focus on writing in full sentences which begin with a capital letter and end with a full stop. This half term we are focusing on using apostrophes for possession. We will also be trying to include the words 'while', 'as', 'before' and 'after' to relate to time. We will use the past tense to write our own Chilly Billy stories. We will also be learning about and planning our own stories using a story map.

KEY MATHS SKILLS

In Maths this half term, we will be recapping our knowledge of Place Value. We will be reminding ourselves what partition means and how many ways we can partition 2 digit numbers. We will be looking at shape, particularly focusing on 3D shapes and the properties of these (how many faces, sides and edges each shape has). We will be then carrying out some practical work based on the mass of objects. We will compare and order different masses. We will also be revising our division knowledge and the two different ways we can solve division problems. We will also recap on using different amounts of money to work out change.