Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after a lovely, long summer. I hope you have all had a fantastic time! The children have been telling me all about their adventures and it has been brilliant getting to know them. What a wonderful start to the year it has been! The children have settled in beautifully and are happy and learning lots. Well done superstars! Here is some information about our class and what we will be learning this half term.

Yellow Class Information

Miss Frankland is the class teacher and Mrs Miller is our teaching assistant. Mrs Phillips is the TA on a Tuesday and Friday. Mr Webster will teach Yellow class all day on Fridays. We will be doing reading, writing and maths lessons each day. Our English lessons will be based around a book called The Way Home for Wolf by Rachel Bright. We will eventually be writing our own version of the story. Maths lessons will be based around reading and writing numbers to 100 and understanding their value in terms of tens and ones.

Our topic this half term is 'The Place Where we Live.' We will be finding out lots about the history and geography of the Marsh and Lancaster, including the history of the school. In art, we will be printing Lancaster scenes using junk materials. PE is on a Tuesday afternoon. Please ensure your child wears appropriate kit including a team colour t-shirt, joggers or leggings and pumps as we will be outside while the weather is warmer.

Here are some of the topic words we will be learning this half term. Please discuss and practise them with your child.

'Lancaster' 'North West' 'map' 'map key' 'environment' 'England' 'Ashton memorial' 'Williamson's factory'

'Millenium bridge' 'River Lune' 'street' (and local street names) 'road' 'traffic' 'past' 'decade' 'century' 'Lord Ashton' 'print' 'block print' 'half drop'



Reading

Reading at home is beginning to rocket in Yellow class! It is great to see so many children reading regularly. Let's keep that going. Reading is a big focus in Yellow Class and we will be reading with your child as often as possible in school, both in group guided reading lessons and on an individual basis. You can help a great deal with your child's progress throughout the curriculum by reading with your child as often as possible at home and writing what they have read and how they are doing in their reading record. We will reward children who read three times (or more) a week both on a weekly and half termly basis. While you are reading, it is worth going through any new or challenging vocabulary and asking questions about what they have read to ensure understanding. There are sometimes activities / questions at the back of your child's book. If you want any advice on this, please ask. We are very happy to help!

Learning at home

On the back of this letter, you will find some links / websites to learning your child can access at home if they happen to be at home (e.g. due to self isolation) and well enough to learn. These will also be on the class page of the school website.

Contacting me

If you have any questions or concerns about anything, please call the school office and arrange an appointment to speak over the phone. Although face to face conversations at the moment are still tricky, that does not mean that we can't be in touch!

I am so excited for the year ahead! We have got such a lot of fabulous things planned including some exciting learning outside of school. Watch this space!

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss S. Frankland

Yellow Class: The Place Where we Live



Remote learning is to be used in the event of your child being unable to attend school e.g. whilst self-isolating awaiting a test result. This may only be needed for a few days or for up to 10 days and the lessons will support the learning and topics being taught this half-term in class. Children should also continue to read regularly and they can use Oxford Owl (please see below.) Children can share their learning with their teacher on Seesaw.

English

Maths

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/collections/year-2-and-p3-english-topics/1

Follow the link or Google search BBC Bitesize English Year 2: Year 2 and P3 English Topics

Select a topic of your choice (e.g. Reading skills or Traditional Tales) Try and work through the activities before starting a new topic when complete

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/collections/year-2-and-p3-maths-lessons/1

Follow the link or Google search BBC Bitesize English Year 2: Year 2 and P3 Maths Topics: Addition and Subtraction

Please complete 10 of the Addition and Subtraction lessons

Phonics

www.phonicsplay.co.uk

Username: willowpp

Password: phonics

Try and complete 2 games a day

Science

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zhtp2v4

Follow the link or Google search BBC Bitesize: Seasonal changes

Watch the videos and make notes and draw pictures for each section (Also watch the videos at the bottom e.g. "How autumn affects plants and animals"

History

https://classroom.thenational.academy/units/how-have-peoples-lives-changed-in-living-memory-e32c

Follow the link or Google search Oak National Academy: Year 2: History—How have people's lives changed in living memory

Try to complete lessons 1– 10 of this unit

Other Useful Learning sites:

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/ (For reading at home)

Username: willowyellow

Password: Willow1

https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button

(For practising maths skills)