



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to school for another busy term. Below is an outline of our plans:



English:

Reading: Please read with your child every day, ideally 2 to 3 pages from their school reading book. We hope you are all using the new library tickets the children got last term.

Phonics: We will look at phonics at least twice every day, phonemes, digraphs, tricky words, alternative pronunciation, segmenting and blending.

- **Year 1:** Focus on all phonemes and digraphs leading up to Phonics Screening Test.
- **Year 2:** Looking at different aspects of Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar.

Spellings: Spellings are sent home on a Monday and are tested the following Monday. **Year 2 will now be having 10 spellings a week.**



Maths: Continuing work on all aspects of mathematics (addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, problem solving, time, shape, space and measure). **We are starting the term with a focus on multiplication, division and fractions.**

Topic: Our first topic will have an historical focus as we look at the life of Alfred the Great. This links in with our previous study on Anglo-Saxons as well as this terms RE which is all about what makes a great leader.

Music: Exploring instruments.

PE: Please make sure kit is in school **at all times**. White/green 'T' shirt (available from Tesco), black shorts, trainers and socks.

Science: Exploring the practical uses of materials. What makes good sunglasses? What material should your coat be made of in the rainforest?

PSHE: Good to be me.

RE: What makes a great leader?

As always, if you have any queries on anything in this Newsletter or in class we want to hear from you. Catch us first thing in the morning or at the end of the day.

Willow Team