



## Year 2 Curriculum Letter - Autumn 2017



Dear Parents,



The children have settled very well into their new classes and have begun to build positive relationships with other children. During this term your child will be learning:



**English:** Our Project this term is **Street Detectives**. We will look at a range of genres and text types such as: recounts, information leaflets and stories. The children will continue to develop their writing skills through the 'Get Spelling', RWI programme and Literacy and Language. The children will practise their comprehension skills by reading and responding to a text. In addition, the children will have spelling homework weekly. These will be displayed on the classroom windows for you to practise with them.



**Big Maths:** We will cover a range of topics this half term, place value, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and fractions, which will allow the children to apply the skills taught through BIG MATHS. In order for the children to build confidence and speed when completing the Big Maths Beat That challenges, we would ask you to practise the 'Learn Its' with them. Maths homework will be sent home every week. It would be useful to practise the skills they are learning in real life situations i.e.: when shopping (money, counting etc.) or telling the time.



**Topic:** In Year 2, our Autumn 1 topic is **Street Detectives**. This topic combines Geography, English, History, Art, D&T and ICT. We feel that this project is an exciting way for your child to learn about the local community, past and present. It would be useful if you could share your memories of Aldridge when you were young or those of the children's Grandparents.



**Science:** We will be learning about different habitats and how living things are suited to their habitats. They will identify things that are living, once-lived and never-lived and construct food chains.





**Geography:** We will be involving the children in fieldwork within the local area and school grounds. This means we will be taking them on a 'journey' where they will be using and making maps to compare Aldridge past and present.









 **Art:** The children will be drawing, painting and making collages of views from 



 the local area. 



 **P.E** - We have P.E on Monday and Wednesday. Please make sure that your 

 child's P.E kit is in school as they will miss out on these important sessions. All 



 earrings and jewellery should be removed. Long hair must be tied up for safety 

 reasons. All P.E kits should be clearly named and put in a named bag. P.E kits 



 should remain in school and go home for washing when we break up for holidays. 

 **Home Reading Books** -In Year 2, the children will be able to change their books 

 daily. They have a new Home-School Reading Record book which should be filled 



 in every time they read with you. We would encourage you to broaden their 

 reading experience, for example using the Public Library, reading books or 

 reading comics. 


 **Show and Tell:** Each week we will send a slip home to one child per class to 


 inform you of their show and tell date. Please help them to practise their 

 'speech' for their chosen object. 

 **Homework:** Year 2 homework will consist of: weekly maths homework and weekly 

 spellings, daily reading and a half termly homework project linked to our topic. 



 Thank you for your support and co-operation, 

 Mrs Houton, Mrs Doidge and Miss Jassal. 







