



Vigo Primary School

Opening a World of Learning and Opportunity

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Welcome to the Summer Term of Year 2

Dear Parents,

We have had a great start to the term in Year two, where the children have been getting used to being back in school. This term we are going to be studying the following topics:

- History – The Titanic focussing on the key question 'Why do we remember The Titanic?'
- Geography – Fieldwork based unit exploring what traffic is like on Vigo Road?
- Science – Plants where we will be making a mini terrarium.
- RE – Exploring the concept of God and Ideas about God.
- DT – Food where we will be making pasta salad.
- Art (2 units) – Stick transformation project and music and art.
- Computing (2 units) – Creating pictures and Making music using IT.
- Music (2 units) – Water and Weather
- PE – Hands, rackets bats and balls and Hands 2 (balls skills)
- PDL – What helps us to stay safe and what jobs do people do?

To support the children's learning we are looking forward to trips to The Titanic Museum in Southampton and our fieldwork trip based on Vigo Road..

What to bring to school?

With the warmer weather coming, it is important that all children have a named water bottle in school every day – they will be in charge of filling and refreshing these during the day and will bring them home to be washed. These should be in addition to the drink they bring for lunch. (No squash please.) They **do not** need to bring a pencil case, any toys or notebooks from home.

PE days

Year 2 PE days will continue to be Tuesday and Friday every week. Please ensure that on PE days your child wears their correct PE kit, outlined on our window posters.

Forest School

We ask that for Forest School sessions children wear long sleeves and trousers and appropriate footwear, such as boots or wellies. When it is your child's day for Forest School please send them to school in their Forest School clothes, with a spare change of clothes (does not have to be their uniform) in their bag in case they get wet or dirty.

Brazil – no session this term.

Chile – Summer 1

Peru – Summer 2

Healthy snack and lunchboxes

Children need to bring in a healthy snack, for example: fruit, crackers and **nut-free** cereal bars for breaktime. Please can those bringing a packed lunch from home ensure there is a healthy balance of food and a separate drink.





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We find children are more able to concentrate on their learning when they have a healthy diet and are hydrated throughout the day. Please also do not send your child to school with sweets or fizzy drinks in their lunch boxes. Some ideas can be found here <https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes>

Reading expectations

The expectation for reading is that children read five times a week with an adult at home, we recommend about 10 to 15 minutes with a short chat at the end about what they have read, and for this to be recorded in their reading log. You can also use your Collins "Big-Cat" login to read online as there are many books available through this portal. Children are awarded dojos for reading and those who read at least three times in the week have a chance of selecting a new book during Owlets assembly.

How you can continue to help your child in Year 2

Encourage your child to be responsible for their own belongings, eg. bringing in their reading record daily. Play games such as dobble and guess who with your child or allow them to practise their English by creating a shopping list together. Spellings were sent home with your child in at Autumn Term and are reassessed each term. Please work with your child to learn these spellings a minimum of three times a week. You could use the Look, Say, Cover, Write and Check method.

What to do if you have any worries or concerns

If you have any non-urgent learning or personal and social concerns about your child that you would like to discuss with a class teacher, please email through adminoffice@vigo.hants.sch.uk, or catch them at the end of the school day at pick up. Mornings are a very busy time for teachers as they prepare for your child's learning for the day, so please avoid trying to speak with them at that time.

We look forward to a successful summer term!

The Year 2 Team

Miss Horsfield, Mrs Stead and Mr Stott.

