



Brereton C of E (A) Primary School

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Dear Year 2 Parents,

Happy New Year and we hope you and your family have enjoyed a wonderful Christmas. It has been lovely hearing the children's Christmas news.

We were delighted you enjoyed our 'Straw and Order' nativity and thank you to Mr Mathers for the video of the performance, which can viewed on our class page. Please keep looking on our class page for extra information about the topic and photos of special events.

Below you will find information about our topics this term.

<u>Earth- local farming</u> <u>Spring 1</u>	<u>Earth- farming overseas (Kenya)</u> <u>Spring 2</u>
Local farming and geography of the locality Map making skills Making butter Learning about where food comes from. Sketching and painting farm animals Designing and making tractors and trailers.	Comparing and contrasting human and physical features of Kenya and Cheshire. Fairtrade fortnight Comparing aerial photos of St Lwanga and Brereton Primary school Hatching chicks

Learning in Literacy, Numeracy and Science:

Literacy- Traditional tales from the UK and from around the world. Writing narratives from personal perspectives, poetry and writing explanations eg of diary farming.

Numeracy- Number and place value, adding and subtracting TUs and HTUs, multiplication 2x 5x 10x 3x, division and fractions (half, quarters, thirds). **Geometry-**naming and properties of 3D shapes, directions and 90 degree turns. **Statistics-** handling data. Problem solving. Measuring-time, mass length and capacity.

Science- 'Uses of everyday materials and their properties' and 'Living things and their habitats' . Working scientifically in our investigations.

Other educational experiences:

- This term we hope to visit a local dairy farm to learn more about the value and importance of local farming.
- After half term we have our residential visit to Beeston (Tues 23rd/ Weds 24th February) where we shall learn how to construct shelters, build fires and use maps.

Homework: Literacy homework will continue to be sent home on a Monday (returned by Wednesday) and Numeracy sent on Wednesday (returned by Friday). Reading should take place on a daily basis at school and at home and spellings are distributed and tested weekly.

Spotlight Author: Our Spotlight Author this term is Quentin Blake.

PE: PE continues on a Monday and Friday afternoon. Children will need a full outdoor PE kit and trainers for netball and team games. They will need an indoor kit, including black pumps for PE lessons in the hall. Children should not wear jewellery on these days.

Water bottles : The children's water bottles were sent home over Christmas, please return them at the start of term . It is up to your child to fill their own water bottle with fresh water daily. They can do this using the water fountain in school. If your child needs a new water bottle these are available from the school office for £1. 50.

Mystery reader: Thank you very much to the Dads for coming in last term, now the invitation is extended to Mums. Please see the attached letter inviting you to come into school for 3pm on a Monday to share a book of your choice with the class

Mrs Cadwallader : We are delighted to have Mrs Cadwallader returning from maternity leave on Wednesday 3rd February. She will be teaching Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and is very excited about returning to join us and teach your children. Mr Collier will be moving back into Key Stage Two to teach Year 5.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Pullé and Mr Collier