



Year 2

Autumn 1

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

Our Creative Habit - Collaborative



This half term our model text will be 'Kassim and the greedy dragon'. We will be writing our own warning tales.

Reading

Our reading text is Amazing Grace!

Maths

Place value, addition and subtraction of numbers within 100.

Science

Classifying everyday materials.

History

Kings and Queens - what is the monarchy? Why are some people seen as important?

Art

Explore and draw!

Computing

Technology around us and networks.

RE

Special places of worship.

PE

Ball skills.

We are very excited to welcome you to Year 2! We have an exciting and busy half term ahead and we will do our best to make sure that the transition back to school is as smooth as possible. We will be focusing on the wellbeing of the children and settling them back into school routines.

This term our theme is 'People' and we will be learning about why some people are deemed as powerful or important, why some people in charge of other people and why we make some people famous. We will also look at what a king or a queen is and important ceremonies. We will be visiting Ancient House and Norwich castle to support our understanding of these topics! We will be developing our motor skills in PE by rolling, catching and throwing, as well as focussing on how to be a good team player. We have lots of creative lessons coming up such as designing your own dragon and looking at the role of IT in the world.

Our new classes are named after Amelia Earhart (an inspirational explorer using the miracle of flight) and Junko Tabei (a Japanese mountaineer, author and teacher). Mr Starling, Mrs Keavey, Mrs Frazer, Mrs Briggs and Mrs Osborne will all be teaching and supporting across our year group.

Year 2 doors open at 8.40am and we will be starting the day with sensory circuits so don't miss out! You will need your reading diary every day, our aim is to get 7 reads a week - let's see if Year 2 can lift the reading trophy!

This half term we will do lots of work around our school rules that keep us all safe and make our environment a lovely place to be. Please talk about these at home and encourage your children to be positive role models in our school!

Our school rules are:

- 1) Praise. No put down.
- 2) Hands, feet and objects to yourself.
- 3) Follow instructions.
- 4) Talk quietly, stay on task.

We are really looking forward to a great half term and can't wait to share all of our exciting stories.

PSHE

This half term we are learning about the rights and responsibilities of being a class member. We will be contributing towards our class charter and know that our views are valued.



Our value this half term is -

Love



Our Learning So Far...

School radio - <https://drake-school.broadcast.radio/>
Our class page - <https://www.drake.norfolk.sch.uk/year-two/>

Dates for Diary

Friday 4th September - High Lodge trip

15th -19th September - Assessment week

22nd September - Ancient House trip

29th September - Norwich Castle trip

14th October - Reading Parent Café

17th October - Flu vaccinations

22nd October - Individual school photos



Home Learning

Reading: Please listen to your child read, we are aiming for 7 reads every week. Remember to record any reading in your reading record, including reading road signs, magazines or shopping lists! Please bring your reading record every day to school and put it in the pink tray.

We also encourage you to use TTRockstars and Numbots - new logins will be given soon!

Suggested websites:

Science materials

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/top>

[ics/zg4skhv](https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/top)

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

PE and Forest School

PE will be every Tuesday for both Earhart and Tabei. Children should come to school in their PE kit (coloured house top) and suitable shoes.

Forest school will begin for Tabei on Thursday 11th September and for Earhart on Thursday 18th September. These sessions will continue every other week for each class over this term.