

# Year 2 Newsletter

21<sup>st</sup> October

*Message from the Mayor of Fairy tale forest.*

*Thank you children for all your hard work and helping me to settle into Fairy Tale forest. Your investigations in school have helped me to identify all of the Fairy Tale characters living in the forest and supported me in protecting the forest areas in Redditch.*



## Parent Forum

There will be a parent forum held at school on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 8.45am. All parents are more than welcome to attend. Please let the office know if you are planning to attend. The meeting should last for approximately 1 hour. This is a great way for you to share your ideas and offer feedback so that we can further develop and strengthen the home / school relationships we are building.

We are always looking for helpers. Even an hour to hear a child read would be greatly appreciated. If you think you could spare some time. Please let the office know.

The new targets in your child's communication book are there so that you can have a go at home. We are focusing on spelling the year 2 common exception words and have included 10 to start with. These words are tricky as they often do not follow the spelling rules. The words are:

*because, last, past, children, poor, most, both, old, people, Christmas*

For maths we would like you to use number facts to find doubles and halves of 2 digit numbers. Here are some handy websites to help you practise.

<http://www.ictgames.com/doubles.htm>

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

Please continue to support your child at home.

## Outdoor P.E

It is a requirement by government that all children take part in P.E for a set time each week. This means that one of our P.E sessions will be outside. As the weather gets cooler we realise that children require warmer clothing so please send your child a named, plain tracksuit top and bottoms to wear on top of their kit and suitable outside trainers. Please check that pumps fit as children do have a tendency to grow.

## Half-Term

School will be closed from Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October and will re-open Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November.

## Brilliant beginnings!

In Autumn 2 will be learning about Redditch in the past in preparation for a Redditch Victorian Christmas extravaganza. This will then come to a close in our Christmas carol concert at The Bridge Church on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 10am. Please join us. In the meantime, over half term it would be great if you could investigate the History of Redditch so that the children are keen and ready to get started. Please see your child's homework book for lots of ideas of activities for the holidays.