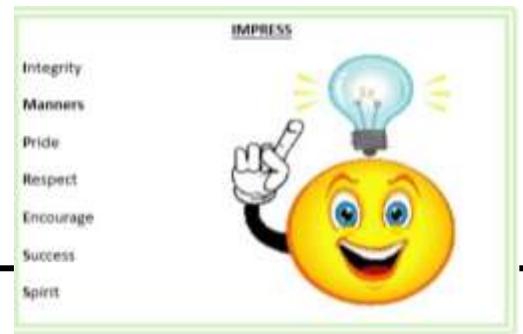




Leopard Class

Summer Term 5 Newsletter



Welcome back!

We hope you have had a relaxing two-week break and an enjoyable Easter in the sunshine! Miss Celebicanin, Mrs Bradley and Mrs Windsor are very excited to welcome you back; we cannot believe that we only have twelve school weeks left in year 2! This term is a busy term. The children will be sitting their SATs and I am positive that they will try their best, as they always do! As always, we will be looking out for perfect uniform, great attitudes and children who strive to do their best at all times and never give up trying.

Homework will be set on Wednesdays (CGP books), we need all homework to be completed each week, **and children reading every day please. Children are to bring in their reading books and reading records every day. P.E days are Wednesday and Friday and children will need their full P.E. kit in school. Thank you.**

Living and Growing

Our topic this term is 'Living and Growing'. We are looking forward to discovering how different animals (and humans) live and grow and compare this to plants.

In Art, we will be concentrating on lines and shapes and we will be using the great outdoors to support our learning. We will be looking at the different lines and shapes on plants in our playground.



Homework Competition!

We are asking the children to create a model that links in with our new topic of Living and Growing. We would love to see different types of models from growing fruit and vegetable to the human life cycle. Miss Celebicanin loves to display your hard work in our classroom!

Remember, a prize will be given! Congratulations to Calvin and Eryn for winning last term's competition! Who will be the winners this term?

What is happening this term?

23rd April – Back to school

May 2019 – Year 2 SATs Assessment month

3rd May 2019 – Waste Assembly

6th May – Bank Holiday Monday – School is closed

24th May – End of term assembly – parents to be invited to assembly

24th May – End of term

What is happening in term 6?

3rd June – First day of term 6

7th June – Year 2 Assembly – all parents/guardians welcome

26th June – Year 2 trip to Sea Life Centre. Please ensure all children are dressed in school uniform.

12th July – Transfer Day

19th July – End of Year Assembly

19th July – Paralympian visit

23rd July – Last day of term

Spring Term Learning

English In English, we will be reading 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and we will be comparing and contrasting different fairytales. We will be gaining more of an understanding as to what a fairytale is. We will be writing narratives and instructions. The children will continue to learn about different subordinating conjunctions and we will begin to learn all about similes. We will also be concentrating on suffixes in spelling. These suffixes will include: -ful, -ness, -ment, -less, -ly. We have a key focus on spelling in Year 2 and we continue to ensure that the children are confident of the spelling rules as well as the common exception words.

Maths This term, we will be recapping and revising prior learning in maths. This will include place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication, measurement, fractions and geometry.

RE: We will be focusing on Judaism.

PHSE: In Jigsaw this term, the children will be focusing on 'Dreams and Goals'. We will be discussing what we strive to achieve and how we can do this.

Science – 'The Apprentice Gardener': This term, we will be looking at: growing plants from bulbs and from seeds; learning the sequence of germination and comparing and contrasting the requirements of germinating seeds with those of mature plants to maintain healthy growth.

Learning at home:

Reading: Please remember to read every day and bring your reading books and reading records to school **every day**.

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Homework: Homework books are due in on Wednesdays. Please complete the books and bring into school.

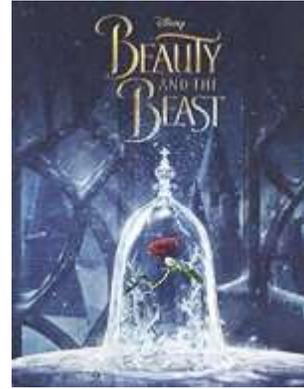
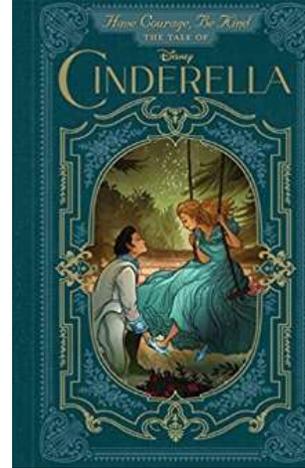
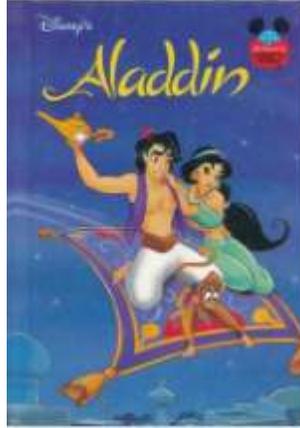
Spellings: Please help practise spellings at home. It is essential that they are confident with the year 2 spelling rules and the **year 2 common exception words**. The spellings will be found in your child's homework.

Reading and Writing Challenge:

We are excited to read *Jack and the Beanstalk*! I challenge you to:

- Compare *Jack and the Beanstalk* with another fairytale
- Write your own fairytale.
- Write a letter to Jack or the giant
- Write your own version of *Jack and the Beanstalk*.

Recommendations:



Last Term's Best Bits:



Science Week was brilliant! Mr Bubbles taught us how to make our own rockets!



Meerkat Class kindly let us look after their chicks for the afternoon! As you can see, they took a like to Cory and Maria!



We enjoyed a walk to Kingswood Woods. We were comparing the woods to the jungle. The children loved being in the great outdoors!



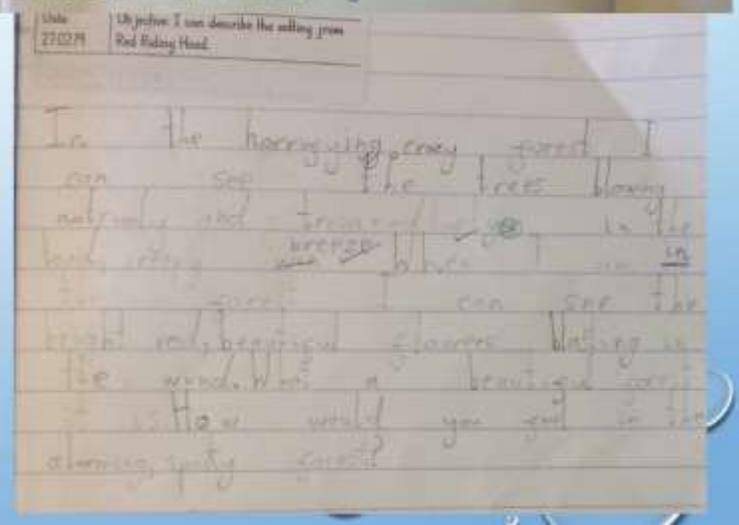
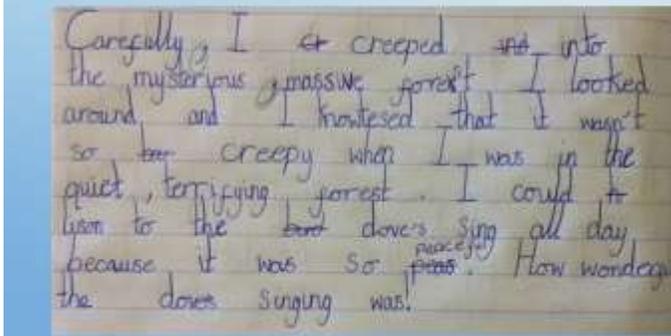
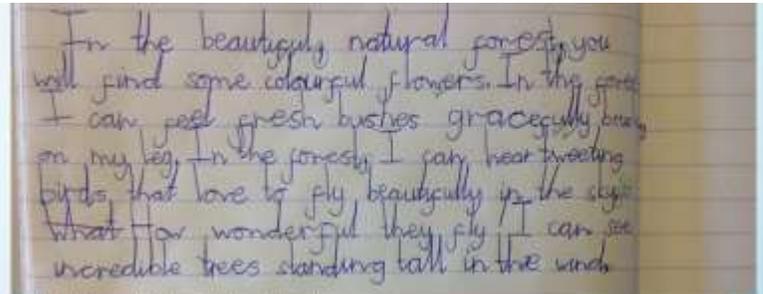
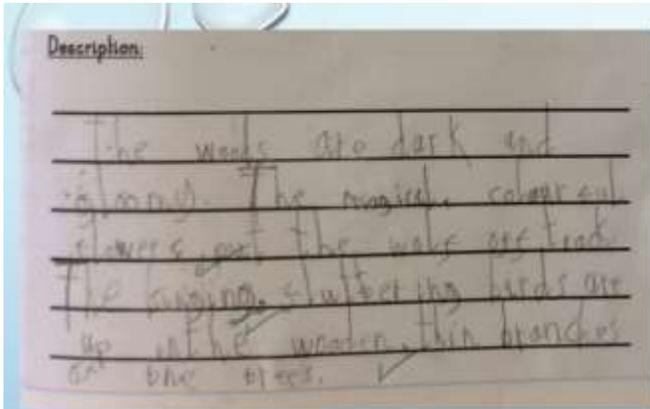
The Whole School Writing Day organised by the Corby Cube was fantastic! We had to complete cadet application forms and we had to decode their special language.



Mrs Cadman organised a very active Sports Week! During the week, we had a visit from a Paralympian, a bike daredevil and a footballer! As well as this, we welcomed Mr Clarke (Greenwood Academies Trust Senior Education Advisor) into school to officially open our new running track, which we used for the sponsored run!



We visited Oundle School as they host the annual Kid Lit Festival. We were lucky enough to hear all about Julie Sykes. On the same day, it was World Book Day! Here we are dressed as our favourite characters!



Finally, I would love to share your children's brilliant writing. Last term, we were focusing on finding synonyms and 'up-levelling' our adjectives! The children then write these adjectives in their own personal dictionaries that they take out during every writing lesson. I am so pleased with the progress that all the children have made with their writing; they impress me every day and I know that they enjoy challenging themselves in all lessons.