### **Our PE this Half Term**

PE for Year 2 is on a Tuesday. Please ensure that children come to school on this day already in their PE kit with appropriate shoes. This half term the children will be learning to develop our athletic skills. We will be focusing on how to run at speed and length whilst staying straight!

#### Our Religious Education and World Views this Half Term

This half term we will be learning about the concept of special books. We will be focusing on our own specials books and the special books of two religions;

Christianity and Judaism. They will be asking why things are special and what about them makes them special to different groups of people. We will be asking the children to bring in their special book to show their friends.

#### How can you help at home?

**Reading** - Please continue to read with your child 3 times a week and don't forget to make sure it is logged on Go Read. Remember to ask your child lots of questions while they are reading to check their understanding.

<u>Maths</u> - To support with our learning of measurement in school, anything that you can allow your child to measure at home would be fantastic. Using a ruler to measure length or weighing ingredients ready to bake a cake are all great opportunities for children to explore their new skills.

Your child will come home with their homework each **Friday**, this will be due in the following **Wednesday**. The homework has opportunities to revisit key spellings, maths skills and writing tasks.

# **Dates for your Diary**

<u>Fri 22nd Sept 2023</u> - European Languages Day.

<u>Mon 16th & Tues 17th Oct 2023</u> - Individual School Photographs. (Class Days to be confirmed).

Mon 23rd Oct - Fri 3rd Nov 2023 - OCTOBER HALF TERM.

Tues 7th Nov 2023 - Flu Immunisations.



# Nine Acres Primary School Autumn Term 1 2023

## Year 2 Team









### Dear Families.

This half term we will be keen Geographers by exploring the world around us! We will be using world maps to explore the continents and oceans and finding out why oceans are so important to us; especially with living on an island!

We are very much looking forward to the children settling into Year 2 and want to thank parents for their engagement at school and at home.

With thanks,
The Year 2 Team.



Knowledge Organiser 'Striving for Excellence'



# Year 2 - Autumn Term 1 2023 - The World

# Important facts to know by the end of this topic:

- The seven continents are: Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Antarctica, Europe and Australia.
- The five oceans are; Pacific, Atlantic, Indian, Southern and Arctic.
- 70% of the Earth's surface is covered by oceans.
- Boats are used to transport goods and people.
- The Isle of Wight has ferry ports in Ryde, Fishbourne, Yarmouth, East Cowes and Yarmouth.
- Plastic pollution has the biggest impact on the world's oceans.
- Natasha Lambert is key to local Geography.

## **Key Skills**

Identifying the seven continents and five oceans on a world map.





To describe what a port is and how it supports the local economy.

To collect and analyse fieldwork data. Using directional language to explain a sea journey.



## **Key Vocabulary**

**Continent** - A large expanse of land.

Ocean - A large expanse of sea.

Coast - The area where the land meets the ocean.

**Harbour** - A place in the coast where ships moor in shelter.

**Port** - A place where boats transport goods.

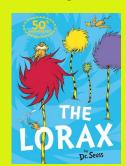
**Pollution** - The introduction of harmful materials into the environment.

**Environment** - The surroundings in which a person, animal or plant lives.

## Our English this half term!

Could you imagine living in a world without nature? This half term we will dive into an exciting new book that explores just that! We will be learning how to write a recount of key events, focusing still on our key punctuation needed in a sentence. Then we will be writing to persuade people to look after the environment. We do not want to be like the 'Once Ler' with no trees left! We will be focusing on use of past tense and conjunctions to extend our sentences.

# This term's exciting book!



## **Our Maths this half term!**

This half term we will be looking at mastering our place value knowledge. We will be learning our numbers to 100 by counting them forwards and backwards.

We will also be learning our simple addition facts to help us when we move onto addition and subtraction next half term. These facts are very important to know well so we can be good mathematicians.