

## Homework

The children are set homework each week as follows:

Thursday (spelling)

Friday (Reading Eggs)

Friday (Maths)

Access to homework can be found on Showbie. It is important that children are encouraged to complete their homework regularly, as this is an extension of their learning at school. We expect spellings to be practised at least 3 times a week.

Homework activities should be completed as following:

Maths: Matheletics homework is accessible from Friday and should be completed on Matheletics.

Reading: Reading Eggs homework is released on Friday.

Your child should read for at least 10 minutes a day with an adult and this should be recorded in their reading diaries with a a comment and a signature.

Your child's login and passwords can be found in their homework diary.

## PE

This term, children's PE lesson will be every Monday. This half term our focus will be throwing and catching. Please remember on these days to send your child to school wearing their PE kit. In addition, we have a yoga lesson every Thursday morning. The school PE uniform consists of a red top and black trousers/shorts.

## Swimming

Year 2 will have a swimming lesson every Tuesday afternoon during the Autumn term. Every child must participate in swimming lessons. Please remember for health and safety reasons the children are not permitted to wear any jewellery whilst swimming.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Miss O'Kane, Mrs Speed and Mrs Khan

# Year 2 Autumn Newsletter 2023

Welcome to the Autumn term at Edna G. Olds Academy. The children have made an amazing start to Year 2 and I look forward to all of the exciting opportunities we are going to have this year.

## English

This term, we will focus on becoming confident when structuring interesting and correctly punctuated sentences. We will be using a range of outdoor learning, poetry, creative writing and technology to support us when we write about our class book and when we compose a letter. Our class author this half term is Lesa Cline-Ransome who wrote 'Before She was Harriet'. This book links to our theme of slavery, and tells the rich and informative story of the life of Harriet Tubman. The children have also chosen a variety of picture books that we will be exploring at the end of each day.

## Maths

In Maths, Year 2 will be using addition and subtraction across base 10. They will be using a variety of strategies to add and subtract one and two digit numbers. We will also be exploring a variety of strategies to aid in multiplication, including our 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Alongside this we will begin to answer reasoning based questions in preparation for the SATs assessments at the end of the year.

## Topic

This Autumn term our enquiry based curriculum will focus on slavery. In science, we will be learning about animals, including humans. We will be considering how humans and animals grow by investigating the differences between adults and their offspring. We will also be considering how we can look after a pet by researching what animals and humans need to survive, including: shelter, food, water and air.



Our history enquiry this term is 'What can we learn about slavery from the Victorian Period?' We will be considering what life was like for rich and poor people in Victorian Britain. We will also be investigating what life was like for different races, and how this links to the British Empire and the abolition of Slavery and the slave trade.