

# Year 2

## Autumn 2017

### Welcome to Year 2

Welcome back to school and the start of the academic year! We hope you enjoyed the summer holiday and that you are ready for Year 2. Our first topic this half term will be The Fire of London, followed by Christmas Around The World. Children have already started producing some beautiful artwork inspired by our learning on the Fire.

**The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark** and **Fantastic Mr. Fox** are our first two books that we will be reading this term. These stories will inspire our writing and other cross-curricular work. Please talk to your child about what they've read and discussed in class. Maybe even plan a family visit to Lotherton Hall's Bird Garden.

**Reading** – Please talk to your child about their reading and ask them questions about what they've read. We recommend listening to your child read for about 15 minutes a day. Children are able to independently choose their own books, based on their reading levels, out of our new and improved library. Please ensure that children bring their reading book and reading record daily.

### Reminders:

Please ensure that your child's belongings are labelled with their names.

### Our Class Councillors are:

Poplar – Haris Farook and Annabel Storey  
Willow – Holly Robertson and Aditya Manu

### Class staff:

**Willow** – Mr. Brakefield, Mrs. Page, Miss. Zafar  
**Poplar** - Mrs. Merriman, Mrs. Wilks, Mrs. Atkinson, Miss. Wilson

### Sports and Activities

Please remember your PE kits should stay in school through the week. As the weather changes, please dress accordingly for outdoor playtimes.

**Numeracy** – In Year 2, we focus on learning and memorising our 2, 3, 5, and 10 times tables as well as improving accuracy and speed of our arithmetic. Please try and use number (counting, measuring, sharing, etc.) as often as possible at home.