



Ingleby Mill Primary School

Year 2 Newsletter - Summer Term 2018

April 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to your child's final term in Year Two. The children are continuing to make good progress and are eager to learn all about our new topics.

This term we have a history focus as our topic is all about **Captain James Cook**. The children will be given the opportunity to explore his life through **Science, Geography, Art, Music and History**.

As we approach the end of Year Two, your child will be working towards completing the national SAT assessment tasks. There will be four assessments in total which will look at a range of the skills your child has explored this year. **We are planning for the children to do their SATs during the week beginning 14th May**. The SAT tests will only form part of their end of term assessments.

Your child will complete two separate **reading comprehensions** which are similar to the ones that they have been completing in class. The maths assessments will be looking at the range of **mathematical** concepts taught this year. The two elements to this paper include an arithmetic section focussing solely on number and a reasoning paper where the children will decipher word problems to answer questions.

We would like to thank you for all your support in purchasing the recommended SAT books to practise with your children. This is really making a difference and the children are beginning to answer the questions with increasing confidence.

Alongside what promises to be a very busy term, the children will learn lots of new skills in the foundation subjects. During **Computing**, we will be using the Apple suite to take photographs and using Garage Band to create and compose our own music! In **Science** we will be looking at plants and growing as well as materials. We will be looking at the oceans, continents and countries in **Geography** and comparing our local area to an area Captain Cook explored. In **Art** we will be creating The Endeavour in different ways and also looking at aboriginal art. During **RE** we are looking at *Special Places*, focussing on the church and the children will be going to visit our local church. Our healthy eating focus will link to **Health and Fitness week** which will take place this term.

With the better weather approaching (we hope!) we will endeavour to have lots more PE outside focussing on games and athletics. Please make sure that your child has a full, appropriate PE kit including trainers as plimsolls can be very slippery on the playground.

We would like to thank you for your continued support in reading with your child at home and sending their reading books back into school every week. We have seen significant improvements in the children's reading and their thirst for reading is a joy to see.

On **June 26th** we are planning a trip to the Birthplace Museum at Stewarts Park, where the children will further explore our Captain Cook topic and be able to look around the museum. This will be a full day trip and if you are able to help and have a current DBS then please send a note to your child's class teacher.

Dates for your diary

Monday 7 th May	Bank Holiday
Friday 25 th May	Royal Wedding Celebration
Monday 28 th May - Friday 1 st June	Half Term
Monday 4 th June	Teacher Training Day
Monday 25 th June - Friday 29 th June	Health and fitness week
Tuesday 26 th June	Trip to Birthplace Museum
Friday 6 th July	Reports to parents
Friday 20 th July	Break-up for Summer

Year Two Teachers

Mrs Brown

Mr Robinson