**Year 2: Week Commencing 22/04/2020**

Hello Year 2!

I hope you are all ok and that you had a lovely Easter weekend with your families. We are missing you all so much. It has been lovely to see and hear what you are doing at home. Please keep sending us your emails and letting us know how you are and what you are doing. I have been very busy thinking of lots of ideas for our new topic. I hope you enjoy them and have lots of fun completing the different activities. Don’t forget that we also want you to enjoy this time with your families so it is really important that you are super stars for your grown-ups and really impress them with how clever you are! Take care and keep safe.

Love, Mrs Russell and Mrs Edge ☺

**English and Phonics**

Writing – Our new book is ‘The Tin Forest’ by Helen Ward. This is one of my favourite books and I hope you enjoy it too. We are extremely lucky that Helen Ward has given us her permission to use her book whilst we are learning at home. I have created a PPP of the story so you can read it at home and a grid of activities to go with it (including art, geog and well-being). This work is for the next two weeks. You can obviously also do any other activities that you think of yourself. I hope you enjoy exploring this book at home and I’m looking forward to seeing some of your work and hearing what you have been doing. Helen Ward has also said that she would like to see some of our work so make sure you do your best work Year 2! *All the resources are on the class page!*

Reading – Please continue to read your school reading books and also your own books at home. Remember, the more we read, the better we get! Don’t forget the ‘Teach Your Monster to Read’ app if you want to improve your reading through games and challenges. I also created a login for our class on the Oxford Reading Tree website. If you haven’t already, please follow the steps on the attached reading note so that you can read other books from our reading scheme.

Phonics - this week you could also look at some suffixes. We have looked at these before in class and some children have had these for weekly spellings. I have attached a copy of the ‘Tin Forest’ text and given you some suffixes to look for and highlight through the text. You could also look for these suffixes in your reading books and create lists of the words you find.

**Maths**

This week in maths we are looking at addition. I have created another video to show you what we are doing, a bit like when we work on the whiteboard altogether in class – please see the attached link. When you watch the video you will need a piece of paper or whiteboard so that you can work with me. I have then attached a copy of the PPP and some questions that you can complete on your own. There are also some extra addition worksheets for you to complete if you would like to do so.

Remember to keep using your Times Tables Rock Stars and NumBots. If you haven’t got a login please send me an email. I will be having a look next week to see all your high scores!

**Topic**

See the ‘Tin Forest’ grid for some art, music, geog and well-being ideas linked to our book. The meditation will hopefully give your grown-ups at least 12 minutes peace!

**RE**

Please remember to take time in the week to think about our world and other people. Your prayers are very important at the moment. You could also show how kind and caring you are by sending pictures or letters to your friends and neighbours. I am extremely proud of the children in our class who have been writing letters to some elderly residents in a local care home – well done! I am so proud of you Year 2.

*If you have not yet received your Spring Report, please send me an email on* *Year2@st-peters.tameside.sch.uk**. Please also use this email for any updates or queries.*

**Take care Year 2. Keep safe and keep smiling. We will see you soon. xx**