**Year 2: Week Commencing 20/07/2020**

Hello Year 2!

I cannot believe that this is my last newsletter to you in Year 2! We are on our last few days together. It is such a shame that we can’t be in our classroom together. I have missed you all so much.

You have been an amazing class and I am so proud of you all. You have been absolute super stars in school and at home. You will always be my ‘lockdown’ class and have a special place in my teacher heart and my memories.

There are a few things I want to say to you before we part for the summer holidays:

Thank you for being such a wonderful class.

Thank you for all your smiles and giggles.

Thank you for all your hard work and brilliant ideas.

Thank you for always joining in with our ‘wake and shakes’ and crazy dances.

Thank you for being wonderful pirates, superheroes and book characters.

Thank you for being my first ever class to get a letter from the Queen.

Thank you for being such good friends to each other and brilliant helping hands.

Thank you for your amazing art work and brilliant Beebot programming.

Thank you for making me and Mrs Edge smile every day – you have made us so proud.

Thank you for being so brave when you have tried new things and when you have had to do your work without us.

Thank you for everything Year 2 – you are all super stars!

I have been busy making a little memory gift for you all. I hope you like them and I hope they make you smile. They will be in a box outside the school office on Wednesday 22nd July. They each have your name on. You can pick your gift up on that Wednesday or it will be waiting for you in Year 3 with all your Year 2 books and work.

There are a couple of activities attached for this week to keep you busy and don’ forget there are the art tasks from last week too.

I can’t wait to see you in September – I just know you will all look so smart and grown-up in your shirts and ties. Have a lovely summer holiday and we will see you soon.

Keep safe and keep smiling.

Love, Mrs Russell and Mrs Edge ☺

**Activities:**

1. Cautious Caterpillar story and questions to discuss.

This story is a lovely resource to help the children discuss the idea of moving from the infants to the juniors.

1. My Wish

This is another transition activity to reinforce the excitement of looking forward to a new year. A new opportunity to learn something new or become better at something. I always find these activities help the children to think positively about changing classes.

1. End of Year Memories

This poster is a chance for the children to record their memories of our year together. They are lovely to keep so they can look back at them in years to come. I know our Year 6 children have really enjoyed looking back over their school memories in these last few weeks.

Dear Grown-Ups,

I would just like to take this opportunity to thank you for your kind words and support this year. It has been a strange year and one we will all remember. I feel so lucky to have had your support throughout this tricky time, especially with the superhero days and secret missions. I know it hasn’t been easy but I really am grateful for everything that you have done. Your emails and photo updates of the children have been amazing. They have really helped me to keep going too – so thank you!

Year 2 have been an amazing class! I am so proud of them all and hope that you are too. I hope you all have a lovely summer break. I will see you in September.

Take care and keep safe.

Love Mrs Russell ☺