

# Year 2 Newsletter – 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parents,

There were two main questions asked in the reading and maths meeting. How can parents find out about the spelling score and how can parents help children who are struggling with CLIC?.

We are going to trial sending home the spelling books on a Friday evening. These need to be returned Monday morning as we use the books to capture vocabulary and phrases from our reading. Please ensure the books come back to school on Monday.

The children are not expected to get high marks at the beginning of each CLIC set as we test them before we have taught them everything. By the time we get to Set 7 of the CLIC, any child who is making regular mistakes will take that CLIC home so that parents can see where they are struggling. If a child is only making the odd mistake, we will not send the CLIC home as it would be a calculation error rather than an understanding difficulty.

We are all looking forward to Book Week next week. Please see the school newsletter to find out about the events during the week.

The Year 2 Team

**Our big questions are: What would Katie Morag find interesting about our local area?**

**And**

**How has communication developed since the invention of the telephone?**

In our Geography this term, we will be exploring two contrasting localities; the fictional Isle of Struay (based on the real Island of Coll) and Addiscombe. The children will be learning about different types of maps, map symbols and places of interest in these localities. As part of our computing unit – email – we will be emailing Katie Morag and asking her questions about where she lives. We will also be telling her all about Addiscombe and our favourite places. Later in the term, we will take a walk around Addiscombe and collect some data about the shops and transport. We will be asking for parent helpers in the newsletter next week, once we have confirmed a date.

In our History unit, we will be examining key inventions that have developed communications technology. We will be learning about William Paxton, Alexander Graham Bell, Dr Ann Shirley and Tim Berners-Lee. We will be considering the impact of each invention and how lives were changed.

Please see our g-suite site for further links to this term's learning.

## **Spellings – Test Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

try	cry
fry	spy
sty	sky
why	reply
apply	deny

## **Key Dates**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Book Week Dress Up Day.

Dress up as any character from a book. Please remember to wear clothing appropriate for the school day.