I hope you had an enjoyable half-term break with your children.

<u>FLUENCY IN MATHEMATICS</u>

Each day in school, the children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 have an additional mathematics 'mastering number' lesson; the aim over time is that children will leave KS1 and begin KS2 with fluency in calculation and a confidence and flexibility with number. Research shows that children with secure 'number sense' early on will make more progress later on in Mathematic and across the curriculum. Our new term has begun by welcoming parents of our younger children to our mastering number workshops. This is part of a five-week Mastering Number at Home project to help parents support their child with their number sense and fluency learning at home.

We hope you enjoyed the workshops and and feel confident to help your children at home over the next five weeks. Please speak with your child's class teacher if you need any further support.

HE IMPORTANCE OF READING

We celebrated World Book Day yesterday with the children enjoying a range of activities to celebrate reading and a love of books. Class doors have been decorated as book covers, the

children and staff dressed up as their favourite book characters and our library was transformed into a book store which all children visited to choose a book to take home. The buzz around school was lovely.

Reading is the key to learning; we know that being unable to read can significantly impact on children's ability to access the curriculum and make progress at school. This is why the teaching of reading is given the highest priority every day at Two Gates.

How can you help?

Please read with your child and encourage them to read their book at home. Just 15 minutes every day can make a huge difference to their confidence and fluency. You can also read to them and their school book is a great place to start. If you need any help or inspiration, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Our World Book Day celebrations aren't over yet - we have a local author, Daniel Thompson visiting school on Monday, 6th March-more on this in next week's newsletter!

UNIFORM EXPECTATIONS- REMINDER!

Just a reminder that all children should wear school uniform every day for school. On P.E. days, it is school P.E. uniform which should be worn.



PE UNIFORM



OUTDOOR:
Navy T-Shirt
Navy jogging bottoms
Navy sweatshirt
Trainers



Please support your children and the school by adhering to the uniform expectations.

Plain items of uniform are available locally in Sainsbury's, Primark, Asda and M&S

We hold a stock of good quality second-hand uniform. Please contact the school office for further details.

Please see more news, photos, information and dates for your diary below and remember that you can follow us on Twitter @2gatesprimary

As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please remember that we are here for you; just call the office on 01827 213855 or email office@twogates.staffs.sch.uk

Mrs Llewelyn-Cook



Love children, love learning!

On Monday we have a special visitor in School, the Author, poet, storyteller, filmmaker, and musician from Tamworth.

Daniel Thompson

If you would like him to sign a copy of his book please purchase it and bring it in with you on Monday.

Click here for a link to his book



CELEBRATIONS W/C 13/02/2023

Mola

LEARNERS

Robins – Ronnie

Kingfishers - Aria

Doves - Miller

Falcons - Stanley / Owen

Swans - Oliver

Kites - Louisa / Leanne

Buzzards - Oscar

Kestrels - Archie



BRILLIANT BEHAVIOUR BREAKFAST

Robins - Josie

Kingfishers - Teddy

Doves - Chayce

Falcons - Olivia

Swans - Annabelle

Kites - Ewan

Buzzards - Jack

Kestrels - AJ



KS1

Doves

98.8%

KS2

Kestrels

97.7%





Congratulations to Georgie-May for dancing her way into 2023 – so many medals – and it's still only February!

We are so proud of you





Parents and children learning together at Miss Milligan's mastering number workshop





Our final work of the week assembly of the term was as special as ever! We never know who will be chosen or why, but the range of progress in different subjects shared was awesome!!









WORLD BOOK DAY 2023



We had a wonderful World Book Day The children loved dressing up and visiting the book sale!

Happy Reading!









So many books, so much choice at our World Book Day sale today.



















































Follow us on Twitter

We are going to be sharing many more pictures

and videos of the work we are completing



DON'T FORGET

Monday 6th March

18:00 - 19:00 Paris Parents meeting

Thursday 9th March

14:45 - 15:45 Parents Workshop - Online Safety

Monday 20th - Friday 24th March

Year 6 visit to Paris

Tuesday 21st March

14:30 - 15:00 Year 2 SATS Meeting for Parents



Monday 27th & Wednesday 29th March

15:30 -18:00
Parents Consultation
(Details to follow)



Friday 31st March

INSET DAY - School Closed

Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April

EASTER HOLIDAY BREAK

Monday 17th April

BACK TO SCHOOL