



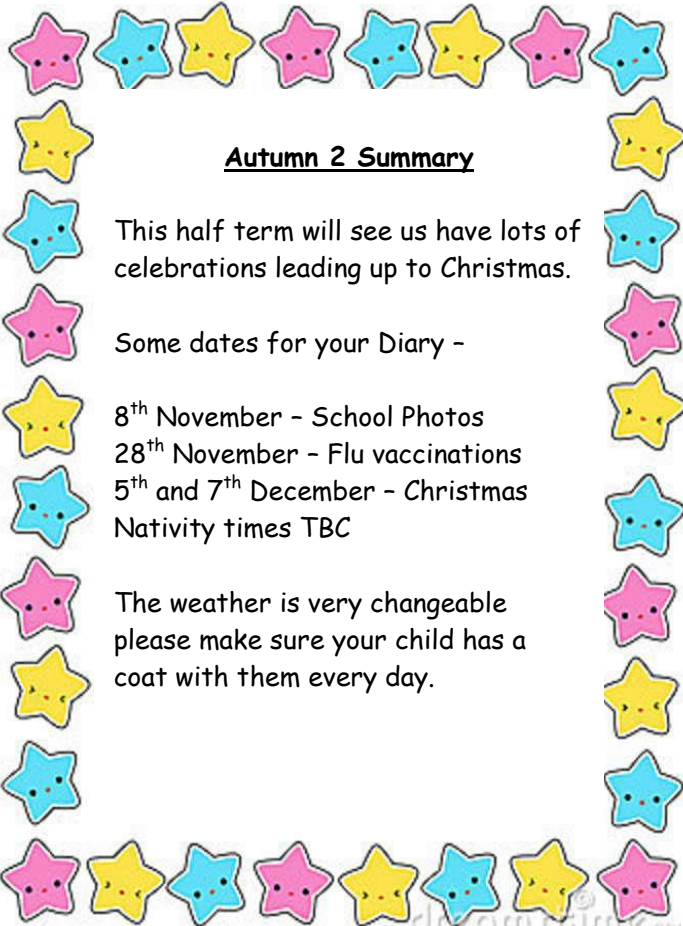
Year 2 News

Kings Park Infant School

Welcome back after half term, we hope you had a lovely week. This half term our question is 'I wonder what life was like as a Victorian child?' We are super excited to find out all about this new topic. Please come and ask us if you have any questions!



Miss Cunningham and Mrs Elson 😊



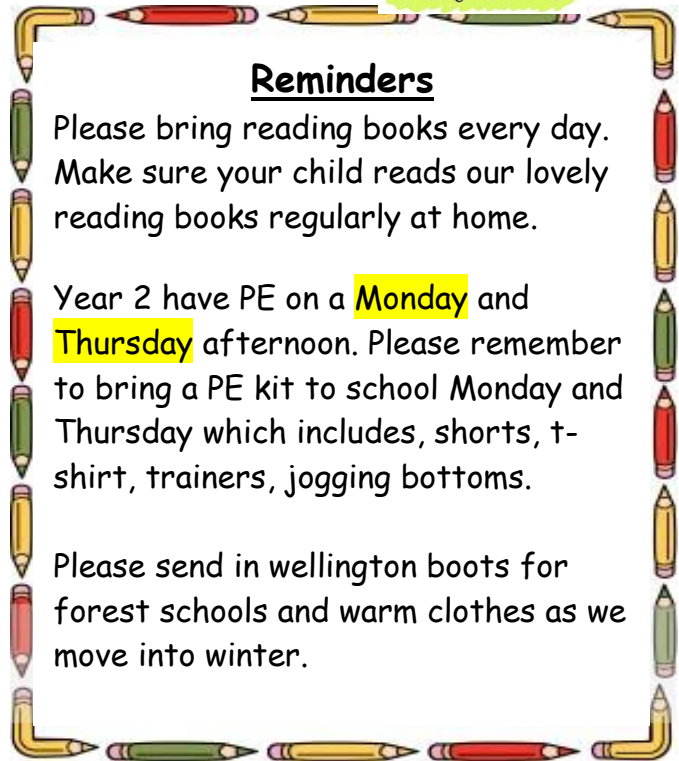
Autumn 2 Summary

This half term will see us have lots of celebrations leading up to Christmas.

Some dates for your Diary -

8th November - School Photos
28th November - Flu vaccinations
5th and 7th December - Christmas Nativity times TBC

The weather is very changeable please make sure your child has a coat with them every day.



Reminders

Please bring reading books every day. Make sure your child reads our lovely reading books regularly at home.

Year 2 have PE on a **Monday** and **Thursday** afternoon. Please remember to bring a PE kit to school Monday and Thursday which includes, shorts, t-shirt, trainers, jogging bottoms.

Please send in wellington boots for forest schools and warm clothes as we move into winter.

Reminders.....

Library day is a **Wednesday**.

Class Dojo Update!

You will have seen that our Dojo page has changed to Sloth Class. If you haven't please sign up to keep track of how your child is doing in school, to access tasks and portfolios and to keep track of our Class Story. There will be **no** messaging on Class Dojo this year. All messages must go through the school office - office@kpi.unity-ed.uk - or you can speak to one of us on the door at drop off and pick up times.

Thank You

Name Tags!

Please make sure all school uniform and PE kit is named to prevent items getting lost or being taken home by other children by mistake.

Thank You



English

We will explore more of our Victorian topic through English. Investigating what schools were like: writing rules, descriptions and diary entries. We will also talk about children who worked and the jobs that they did. We will look at writing about feelings and letters to empathise with how life was different back then. Using Talk 4 Writing strategies we will rewrite our own story and change the ending to make it our own. Learning about Queen Victoria we will also write a fact file. Lastly you will also see us reading and writing instructions.

Maths

In maths we will start the half term by focusing on addition and subtraction building on our work from year 1. We will add and subtract using concrete objects and start to add these mentally. We will recall and use addition and subtraction facts to 20 fluently, and derive related facts up to 100. Learn to multiply and divide by 2, 5 and 10. In Christmas we will look at the properties of shape.



PE

We will be focussing on gymnastics and using different equipment to improve these skills. We will use apparatus to balance and travel on.



RE

We will be looking at the religion of Christianity. We will look at why Christians celebrate Christmas and why the nativity story is important to them.

Design & Technology

We will look at how to make a Thaumatrope, which is an optical toy from the Victorian era.

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Computing

. We will be looking at 'digital photography'. How to take photos, what makes a good photo and how to edit them.

Music

We will be singing lots of new songs about Christmas and getting ready for our Christmas Nativity.

History

We will explore how life was in Victorian times, compare and contrast schools, working conditions and inventions. We will look at photographs and also real objects. We will learn a bit about Queen Victoria and her reign.

This half term our focus in RHE is 'Similarities and Differences'. We will complete activities about strengths, abilities and stereotypes.

Science

In Science we will be focusing on materials. We will look at properties of different materials: brick, glass, metal, plastic etc. We will talk about suitable and unsuitable materials and explore materials that we can bend, twist, stretch etc.

Art

We will combine artistic skills to create calendars and Christmas cards. We will also use sketching and charcoal to create portraits as well as cutting skills to make Victorian silhouettes.