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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring term. We have lots of exciting learning to enjoy and to challenge ourselves with this half term.

In Maths, we will be focusing on units of measure, such as mass, capacity, length and temperature. To support your child at home, please allow them first-hand experiences of weighing ingredients and measuring length, such as hand span or shoe length. Please continue to practise the 2, 5 and 10 times tables with your child at home. They should have quick recall of the times table and related division facts. In English, we will be looking at alternative traditional tales, such as The Three Little Wolves and The Big Bad Pig and The True Story of the Three Little Pigs. We will be exploring both texts and will then write our own alternative traditional tale and newspaper report.

In our foundation subjects, we will be starting a number of new topics. We will be studying History and the impact that Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole had on modern-day nursing. In Science, we will continue to explore our topic of 'Plants', where we will be carrying out scientific investigations to find the best growing conditions for plants. We will continue to have one weekly P.E lesson and one weekly swimming lesson. Your child's days have not changed so please ensure that they have the correct kit on their specific days. Please ensure that P.E kits are brought into school and left on your child's peg. Thank you to all of the parents who have named their child's bag, coat, P.E kit and uniform, this has made it quick and easy to return found items to their owners. Unfortunately, we still have a significant amount of unnamed jumpers and other items of clothing found in classrooms at the end of each day.

Please continue to listen to your child read at home and discuss their books with them, we suggest a minimum of five times a week. We would really appreciate it if you could record this in their Reading Record so that we can praise and celebrate good reading routines. The children's spelling words are sent out on a Monday and they are tested on these the following week. Please encourage your child to practise their words in carefully formed and sized letters, as shown on their sheet. We are really concentrating on careful handwriting this half term.

We were really impressed with the quality and effort that has gone into the children's plant home learning projects and we are looking forward to seeing what they produce for their Spring 2 project, based on a significant women. Please see the separate letter for more information.















As always, if you have any questions or queries, then please speak to your child's class teacher and they will be happy to assist you.

Yours sincerely, Mrs Lane, Mrs Willmer, Miss Rahman and Mrs Rogers

The Year 2 Team













