



# 2FJ Newsletter 04.09.23

## Autumn term - Jurassic Adventures

- **English** - We will start the term by exploring stories and their structure, using stories based on 'Phyllis and the fossil finders'. We will explore the difference between fiction and non-fiction and personal recounts. We will be learning spellings and practising comprehension skills together in class each week.
- **Maths** - We will be exploring number, with a starting focus on place value and key number facts such as knowing, recalling and applying different number bond facts. We will also be exploring the 4 main operation along with the language of maths to solve one-step word problems. We will also be looking at the properties of shapes.
- **Science** - We are going to be exploring Rocks and Soils
- **Music** - We are going to be using 'Carnival of the animals' by Camille Saint-Saëns as our composition to explore.
- **RE & PSHCE** - We are going to learn about Christianity in RE and looking at the topic of 'Money' in PSHCE
- **History and Geography** - We will be learning about The Jurassic Coastline and Mary Anning.
- **DT, Food and Art** - We will be looking at the artist Wassily Kandinsky, exploring 'Moving books' in DT and exploring hygiene and home-grown veg for Food technology.
- **Life skills & social skills** - The students will be learning about The Alert programme this term and looking at self-esteem and awareness.

Please do email any of the team if you have any questions  
Best wishes from the 2FJ team 😊  
Mrs Francis & Mrs Jackson (Class teachers),  
Miss Doyle (STA), Miss Fitzpatrick and Miss Nallen (OT),  
Miss Potter (SLT)

*-PE kit bag and a couple of **spare carrier bags** (wet or muddy kit);  
-2 x **plain white t-shirts**;  
-2 x **white sports socks**;  
-2 x **black sports socks** (for outdoor winter sports);  
-2 pairs of **plain black shorts**;  
-2 pairs of **plain tracksuit/jogging bottoms** - **black or navy blue**;  
-1 x **plain white long-sleeved top** for trampolining (to avoid scraping elbows);  
-**MHS fleece** or **plain blue / black sport jumper** for outdoor winter sports;*

### Messages

- **Mrs Jackson** will be teaching 2FJ on a **Thursday** so if there is anything you need a response to on a Thursday, please email Mrs Jackson. Mrs Francis will be teaching 2FJ the rest of the week.
- We will use **Planners** to communicate any quick messages/reminders. Please also **sign and date** in these books when your child has read at home.
- PE will be Tuesday and Thursday. **Swimming will be on a Thursday for half a term.** Please refer to the general PE kit list in the grey box.
- The **end of the school day** will be 3.50pm Monday/Wednesday, clubs on a Tuesday/Thursday finishing at 4.50pm and Fridays will be 2pm.
- 2FJ will be having **Forest School activities** onsite every Tuesday **NEXT** half term, which is very exciting! **So, after half term**, please send them in with a **change of outdoor footwear and waterproof jacket** as we will be outside even if it is raining and muddy!
- **Snacks: We will provide** students with fruit and suitable healthy snacks so please **do not send** in any food with your child. This is in line with our school policy being nut-free and supporting any additional allergies.