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Dear Parents/Carers

### Class letter with information for Year 2

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year to you all and I hope you had a happy and safe holiday time. This term, we will be working on two different topics: The Great Fire of London and Around the world. Through these topics the children will experience learning in English, science, computing, history, geography, music, art and design and technology. In this letter you will find lots of information about school and what is happening this term.

#### Drop-off/Pick-up & Registers

The children will continue to arrive and depart via the Year 2 gate (same as last term). I will open the gate at 8:45am every morning and we take the register promptly by 8:55am. I will walk the children to the school gate for pick up by 3:00pm.

#### Communication

We welcome you to contact us with any queries or concerns through email. Please do feel free to talk to me in this way. We may not be able to answer immediately, but I will get back to you. For anything urgent or for something that needs to be shared immediately, you can either call the office or speak to Mrs Donaghey on the gate, who will pass on the message. You can also make a phone appointment with me at a mutually convenient time, by calling or emailing the office.

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#### Absence

Please let the office know in advance if your child has a medical or similar appointment and will need to be taken out of school or to arrive late. If your child is ill, please ring or email the office as soon as possible on each day of absence.

#### Keeping Safe

We will have one key stage assembly for the children, with Mrs Donaghey, each week either outside, or in the hall.

Please make sure your child has a named water bottle -fresh each day. The children will be given a snack in school. If sending in lunch, please remember NO NUTS or SEEDS.

Everyone will wash their hands frequently including: on arrival, before and after- eating, playtimes, using the toilet and then again before going home. Classes will have labelled allocated toilets.

There will be extra cleaning of classrooms, touch points, tables and toilets.

### Equipment and clothing

Children will have their own school equipment in a labelled pencil case provided by school. They do not need a pencil case from home.

PE lessons are on Tuesdays and Wednesdays but children should come to school in clothes that are suitable for PE every day. We aren't having PE kits in school. We will be using our outdoor spaces as much as possible, so layers of warm clothes are needed every day and can be left on the back of their chairs if the children get too warm. The guidance means keeping windows and doors open as much as possible for ventilation so warm clothes are essential. Please tie long hair back.

### Reading

The children have been doing so well with their reading and I have been super impressed at their dedication to completing their reading diaries and their enthusiasm. It is important that your child continues to read each day, please sign their diary to show that they have. They should be reading to you aloud as well as sometimes reading on their own. I encourage them to try to read a selection of different genres, both fiction and non-fiction to broaden their reading skills. Reading books and library books will be changed on a Monday and then quarantined.

### Other Homework

Homework will be set online via the google classroom but can be printed for any children who cannot easily access online learning on any particular week (please let me know). Each week spelling, reading and maths homework will be set. It is set on Fridays.

Thank you for all your support. We are looking forward to having lots more interesting learning and exciting experiences together this term.

Mrs Camps

