



# Autumn - Year 2



## Topic - Globetrotters

This half term, Year 2 are learning some basic geography of the world. We will look at the four countries of the UK and their capital cities as well as the names of the seven continents and five oceans of the world. The children will learn about the differences between urban and rural areas and look at life in our local area.

## Reading

**Reading is a priority at Hunslet Moor and we encourage children to read as regularly as possible.**

We will continue to send reading books and reading for pleasure books home every week. Please try to listen to your child read as much as possible and encourage your child to read every evening for at least 10 minutes. Reading for pleasure books are books taken from our school library and are designed for you and your child to share together. Please make notes in your child's reading record about how your child is reading at home. These records are used to help us choose our reader of the week.

## Maths

This half term we are continuing our topic of addition and subtraction, giving children lots of opportunities to practise these skills. Children will move away from the concept of using practical resources and will begin to learn methods for mental arithmetic as well as more complex written methods. Towards the end of the term children will be taught the topic of Money. A very useful skill! Children will learn to recognise, add and work out change.

## Homework

Please support your child by practising their spellings which will be sent out each week. We suggest children do a few over a few nights. We are also using TT Rockstars for your children to learn their times tables. The website is [trockstars.com](http://trockstars.com) and your child's username and password are in their homework books.

## PE

In Year 2 this half term, we will be teaching the children hitting and catching skills. This will move onto learning some basic team sports skills.

Please ensure children wear their school PE on their PE days, this should be our supplied kit or a plain white T shirt with dark blue or black bottoms.

2a PE—**Monday's and Wednesdays**

2b PE—**Tuesdays and Fridays**

## Science

This term, we will be learning about materials. We will learn about the suitability of materials, testing them and learning about how materials can be changed.

## PSHE

PSHE is a core part of our school ethos. During the Autumn term, we will be exploring the topics of similarities and differences.

It is important you continue to send your child to school every day and arrive on time so that we are all ready to begin the days learning. We begin school at 8.45am and end school at 3.15pm.

Please ensure children arrive at school in the correct school uniform with an appropriate coat, book bag and shoes. Ensure all of your child's clothing is labelled with their name in order to prevent any lost items of clothing.

If you have any questions, concerns or want to discuss any aspect of your child's learning, please phone the school office and arrange a telephone conversation to speak with a member of the Year 2 team.

2A—Mrs Read

2B—Mr Hall

Mrs Read